

# Douglas S. Freeman HS Bands and Orchestra

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**DATE:** September 2023  
**SUBJECT:** CONCERT ATTIRE

Our Winter Concert is scheduled for Thursday, December 7, 2023. All students are required to have proper concert attire purchased and fitted prior to this performance. This attire will also need to be worn for the Spring Concert, District Assessments, SRO, CRO, All-County, All-District and All-Virginia Band/Orchestra (if selected). Students who are new to band or orchestra or have outgrown their attire must purchase the correct attire as follows:

## **GIRLS:**

- Long Black Dress
- Black Dress Shoes

The following website sells the required dress: [Concert Dress for Girls](#)

## **BOYS OR GIRLS:**

- Black Dress Pants (*Flex Fit, Flat Front - you must choose this option when ordering*)
- Black Dress Shirt
- Silver Tie (*you must choose this color when ordering*)
- Black Belt
- Black Socks
- Black Dress Shoes

This is a complete package outfit and is appropriate for any student regardless of gender. All items (except for the tie) must be solid black. **The pants, shirt and tie must be purchased from the following website:**

[Concert Attire Package](#)

## **TUXEDOS (being phased out):**

Prior to this school year, a tuxedo ensemble was part of the required concert attire. We are going to begin phasing this out. **If your student is a 10th, 11th or 12th grader** and has already purchased a tuxedo in a previous school year, you may, **of course**, continue to use it while still in the Band or Orchestra Program!

If you need to order a replacement part for the tux, please use the following links to obtain the required items. **NOTE - New students should NOT purchase a tuxedo! This is only for returning students who need to order replacement pieces.**

[Tuxedo jacket](#)

[Tuxedo Shirt/Cummerbund/Pants/Bowtie](#)

**ALL STUDENTS:**

Both websites include sizing information to assist in the ordering process. Dresses are fairly true to size, you might want to order a size up so that it can be worn for more than one year.

**Shoes** -For the Dress Pants/Shirt Option, Marching Band students may wear their marching shoes in place of black dress shoes, *but only if they are clean and in good shape.*

**Order these items NOW so that you are assured to have them on time.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Dresses and pants typically come with an **unfinished hem**. Please allow enough time for hemming to the correct length, as well as any other necessary alterations.

Students who do not have proper attire may not be allowed to participate in the concert which may, in turn, be reflected in their grade.

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