Girls' Dress Evaluation Form Heritage Academy Spring Formal Saturday April 17th, 2021

To Mothers and Daughters

Ninth through twelfth grade students at Heritage Academy are once again looking forward to a memorable evening that will include formal attire, special activities, and lots of fun.

Because there are so many varieties of styles when it comes to formal dresses, we thought it would be helpful to clarify expectations for appropriate attire at this Heritage Academy event by providing this checklist for moms and daughters.

Please note the statements below, which provide basic parameters for dress appropriateness. As each girl considers what dress to wear for the evening, we ask that each mother and daughter review and affirm together that the dress of choice upholds the following standards by initialing in the spaces below.

Daughter's Initials	Mother's Initials	
		 The dress to be worn for the evening has a visible (non-transparent) strap to go over each shoulder. Note: There are <i>lots</i> of fun ways to add straps. You could add a strand of rhinestones, pearls, beads, or a ribbon to give you a variety of styles to choose from. You could crisscross them over your back or have them go just straight over your shoulder to connect to the back of your dress. The intention of "visible" however is that the strap would be solid and not transparent. A bra/bralette does not count as the strap on the dress.
		2. The selected dress' neckline is high enough to conceal all cleavage.
		3. The selected dress' back line is high enough to cover all skin below the level of a typical bra line.
		4. Because the evening can involve a good amount of activity (fun dancing and games), for this event we are asking the length of the selected dress fall below the knee. Please note that this requires the dress to be slightly longer than what our standard dress code requires for dresses worn on a regular school day.
		The dress to be worn is not overly tight or distracting in a way that would compromise commitment to modesty or the conscience of others.

Once you have agreed together that these statements accurately reflect the dress of choice, please sign below and return this form to the school office no later than **Friday, April 9th**. If, in the meantime, you have any questions or concerns, please be sure to contact Mrs. Jorden at 660-341-6799 or ruth.jorden@heritageacademyofcolumbia.com.

Mother's Signature: _____

Daughter's Signature:

Please note that students whose dresses are observed on the evening of the formal to be outside the parameters of the abovelisted standards may be asked to modify their clothing or to leave, change, and return in something different that is in keeping with the above parameters.