

## **KCS Concert Dress Policy**

The Kingston Choral society strives to be an inclusive and welcoming organization for all those who love to sing. Our concert dress policy for performances aims to create a visual image that projects professionalism. A unified appearance reduces visual distraction for the audience and promotes the amalgamation of many individuals one collective for performance.

There are slight variations in dress for formal and informal concerts. Singers are encouraged to dress in unrestrictive clothing that suits their personal comfort using the standards below as guidance.

### **Music Folders**

All music is required to be organized in correct order and securely fastened in a plain black folder to minimize shuffling of music scores during performance.

### **Formal Concert Dress Options**

1. Black tuxedo or black business suit, black bow tie and plain, solid white, long-sleeved dress shirt with black belt or suspenders
2. Black, long-sleeved, mid-calf or ankle-length dress with a neckline that does not dip more than 1" below the collar bone
3. Black ankle-length skirt, or plain black dress pants with plain, opaque, black dress top or shirt with a neckline that does not dip more than 1" below the collar bone

### **Informal Concert Dress Options**

1. Black, long-sleeved, mid-calf or ankle-length dress with a neckline that does not dip more than 1" below the collar bone
2. Black ankle-length skirt or plain black dress pants with plain, opaque, black dress top or shirt with a neckline that does not dip more than 1" below the collar bone

### **Please note:**

- Any button-down dress shirts must be worn with a black t-shirt underneath
- A plain black jacket may be added to any top or dress
- Leggings and black jeans are not allowed
- All singers must wear black dress shoes and black socks or stockings. Exceptions can be made for foot concerns/issues

### **Accessories and make-up:**

- Singers may wear hair clips, ponytails, buns, or headbands that do not sparkle or shine
- Only stud earrings may be worn. No dangling earrings or large, noticeable ear gauges
- Noticeable body piercings should be removed for the concert (particularly large nose, cheek, or lip piercings)
- Should singers wish to wear make-up, muted tones are preferred

**Scent Free Policy**

KCS supports a scent free environment. Please do not wear colognes or perfumes or use strongly scented hair products or deodorants. Many people are allergic to these scents.

**Should you have any questions or concerns about the KCS concert dress policy, please contact your Section Leader.**