## RHETORIC SCHOOL SNOW BALL DANCE

Snow Ball is a long-standing tradition for the Cary Christian School Rhetoric community. It is an opportunity for our young men and young ladies to spend time together in a semi formal setting learning how to interact with confidence and poise. Throughout the evening, students participate in a variety of dances that allow them to mix and mingle with their classmates. It is also an opportunity for our students to learn to lead and organize a large social event. It is a special occasion and unique to Cary Christian School!

We are excited to announce that Snow Ball will be held in the CCS Gymnasium on the evening of Saturday, January 20, 2024 from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. Please be prompt, as the class pictures will be taken (*starting with the freshmen*) at 7:00 pm. Signups begin Wednesday, January 3 and end on Monday, January 8. Although there is no extra charge for this dance, it is important for all students to RSVP by the deadline, as we will begin making dance cards after that date. The RSVP process will be communicated on Wednesday, January 3. It is very important to attend if you have signed up! Students, we hope to have dance practices before the event. Many of the dances are similar to those from Hoe Down...active and lively.

We are proud of the high standards concerning behavior and dress code at Cary Christian School and believe that we share the responsibility to uphold these standards with our students and our parents. With this in mind, we are asking our parents to partner with us to ensure that their student's attire meets the dress code detailed below.

CCS will not hold a formal dress check for this event. However, if your student's attire does not meet the requirements as listed, you may be called to come get your student or to bring your student a different outfit, and they may lose their privilege to participate in the next school social event/dance as determined by the CCS Administration.

## **Dress Code Requirements:**

- Semi-formal means dress nice, but not a tuxedo or formal gown.
- Please keep in mind that our dances are athletic in nature so take into consideration active moving, bending
  over, and lifting arms above the head as you chose your attire.
- Please respect the purpose of this event by dressing in the appropriate attire.

Gentlemen	Ladies
Dress slacks with collared button-up shirt with either a coat or tie or both. Dress shoes.	Dress modest, semi-formal dress and dress shoes. Dresses with longer, fuller skirts work best at a lively dance like this. Dresses should meet the following criteria:
Please note the following attire is NOT permitted:  • Tight-fitting clothing, jeans, or joggers • Running shoes, crocs, or boots • Costumes or anything less than semi-formal attire.	<ul> <li>Length: should be within 2"-3" of the top of the knee. If a dress has a slit, it should not be more than 2"-3" above the knee. Please remember that a longer dress length is helpful in this style of dancing.</li> <li>Straps: should have on-the-shoulder straps: spaghetti straps, one-shoulder (or Grecian style), halter, high-neck, are all permitted; No strapless, deep V or low-cut necklines</li> <li>Back: should be at the natural bra line, no backless dresses</li> <li>Please note that the following style of dresses are NOT permitted:</li> <li>Tight form fitting dresses (bodycon style dresses are not appropriate for this event)</li> <li>Exposed midriff or cutout dresses</li> </ul>

Please remember that suits and dresses fit differently while standing in your living room than in active dances. All attire needs to follow these guidelines while actively moving. Our goal is to be proactive so that there are no questions the evening of the event. The best practice is to choose attire through the lens of modesty and to use the standards spelled out above as no one wants to have issues on the night of the dance. Respect the occasion and your school community. Please reach out to Diane Hillsgrove at dhillsgrove@carychristianschool.org with questions if you are unsure of any details and how they apply to you/your student.