



# Palm Beach Catholic Forensic League

## Palm Beach Catholic Forensic League - Suggested Guidelines for Competition Attire

Students should exhibit an appearance in dress and behavior that is above reproach during competition. How students look communicates nearly as much as what they say. The purpose of these guidelines is to ensure that all students maintain a level of professionalism and decorum in accordance with forensics and league activities. Attire at forensics tournaments should be professional, such as that which is appropriate in a business setting or for an interview. Dress should be tasteful and conservative, and it should not detract from the student's performance.

The following suggestions are to be adhered to by both competitors and observers.

In general, tournament attire is:

- Business dress, pants or skirt with a blazer and blouse or sweater and dress shoes
- Business suit or jacket and slacks, dress shirt, tie, dress socks and dress shoes
- All hair should be worn in a professional manner and may not obstruct a team member's face

All competitors are expected to remain in tournament dress throughout the duration of the tournament. Competitors receiving awards must be in tournament dress. No competitor will be allowed on stage at any tournament in casual attire. Students eliminated from competition, and not receiving an award, may change at a tournament to a casual outfit. However, students may not edit their professional attire at tournaments to become more casual if they are finished at the tournament (e.g. removing a tie, rolling up sleeves, untucking dress shirts).

All casual dress must comply with the standards and expectations of the dress code in the school student handbook.

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