

PROFESSIONAL DRESS CODE

Washington State Future Business Leaders of America

Appropriate business attire is required for all general sessions, awards sessions, competitive events, and workshops for all conference attendees.

FBLA members and advisers should develop an awareness of the image one's appearance projects. The purpose of the dress code is to uphold the professional image of the association and its members and to prepare students for the business world. Appropriate attire is required for all attendees—advisers, members, and guests—at all general sessions, competitive events, regional meetings, workshops, and other activities unless otherwise stated in the conference program. Conference name badges are part of this dress code and must be worn for all conference functions. For safety reasons, do not wear name badges when touring.

Professional attire acceptable for official FBLA activities includes:

Males

- Business suit with collar dress shirt, and necktie or
- Sport coat, dress slacks, collar shirt, and necktie or
- Dress slacks, collar shirt, and necktie
- Banded collar shirt may be worn only if sport coat or business suit is worn
- Dress shoes and socks

Females

- Business suit with blouse or
- Business pantsuit with blouse or
- Skirt or dress slacks with blouse or sweater or
- Business dress
- Capris or gauchos with coordinating jacket/suit, worn below the knee
- Dress shoes

Inappropriate attire, for both men and women, includes:

- Jewelry in visible body piercing, other than ears
- Denim or chambray fabric clothing of any kind, overalls, shorts, skorts, stretch or stirrup pants, exercise or bike shorts
- Backless, see-through, tight-fitting, spaghetti straps, strapless, **extremely short**, or low-cut blouses/tops/dresses/skirts
- T-shirts, Lycra™, spandex, midriff tops, tank tops, bathing suits
- Sandals, athletic shoes, industrial work shoes, hiking boots, bare feet, or over-the-knee boots
- Athletic wear, including sneakers
- Hats or flannel fabric clothing
- Bolo ties
- Visible foundation garments

CLARIFICATION—Many women's two-piece suits are currently designed so that they do not require a blouse. Therefore, this will be accepted. In addition, sling-back shoes, open-toe shoes, and sleeveless dresses are accepted.

Exceptions may be made for religious or medical reasons.
These rules apply to all conference attendees, advisers, and chaperones.

I agree to comply with the FBLA Professional Dress Code.

Member Signature

Date

Witnessed by:

Adviser Signature

Date