

Business Professionals of America--Official Dress Code

In order to promote a professional atmosphere, BPA's Board of Directors has developed the following official dress code policy for the Business Professionals of America State Leadership Conference. Students, advisors, chaperones, and guests must follow the dress code. It is required that all guests follow established dress code policy.

Those not dressed in required attire will not be able to participate in any session or any competitive event. Members not adhering to the Professional Dress Code will not be allowed to attend the opening/closing ceremonies.

Professional Dress Code Opening Session, Second General Session, and Awards Sessions, all Competitive Events (judged, non-judged, and open), and Campaign Rally (select one of the following)	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Women</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pant or skirt suit • Dress skirt or dress slacks with coordinated blouse and/or sweater • Business professional "dress" • BPA blazer with dress skirt or dress slacks and blouse or sweater • Skirts or dresses cannot be shorter than two inches above the knee <p><i>Dress shoes (low heel or high heel), or dress sandals with heel are required with all of the above.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Men</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dress slacks, dress shirt, and tie • Suit, dress shirt, and tie • Sport coat, coordinated dress slacks, dress shirt, and tie • BPA blazer with dress slacks, dress shirt, and tie <p><i>Dress shoes and dress socks are required with all of the above.</i></p>
<i>This excludes all denim for any of the above</i>	

Casual Dress	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Women</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sportswear (jeans), pants, and shirt, t-shirt • Footwear required with all of the above 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Men</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sportswear (jeans), pants and shirt, t-shirt • Footwear required with all of the above
Special Event Dress Code For Students and Advisors	
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Women</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ANKLE LENGTH PANTS ONLY – jeans, khakis, or other casual pants • NO SHORTS ALLOWED at the Special Event • Conference t-shirt must be worn to the Friday Special Event – the t-shirt must not be altered • Socks MUST be worn for the inflatables • Footwear required with all of the above 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Men</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ANKLE LENGTH PANTS ONLY – jeans, khakis, or other casual pants • NO SHORTS ALLOWED at the Special Event • Conference t-shirt must be worn to the Friday Special Event – the t-shirt must not be altered • Socks MUST be worn for the inflatables • Footwear required with all of the above

The following are unacceptable during BPA activities:

- strapless, spaghetti straps, tube tops, halter tops, midriff tops
- spandex, lycra, or transparent clothing
- cut-offs or ragged clothing
- clothing with inappropriate words and pictures

Swim suits must be covered with appropriate attire and shoes must be worn while in any area except the swimming pool or designated sunbathing area. The Dress Code will be placed on the BPA Texas web site.

Recourse: Members refused entrance to any event will be given the opportunity to change into appropriate attire immediately and participate/compete in the event. Having changed into appropriate attire, member will join testing in-progress. No additional time will be given for time missed.

****Members also have the right to grieve the issue immediately after being refused entrance. Grievance of the Dress Code policy will not be accepted if not received in writing at Competitive Events headquarters within 15 minutes of the infraction in question.**