

2023-24 FBLA Dress Code

FBLA-PBL 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-PBL activities include:

Males

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

Females

- Business suit with blouse
- Business pantsuit with blouse
- Skirt or dress slacks with blouse or sweater (wide-legged pants, solid or stripes, are acceptable)
- Business dress
- Closed Toed/Closed Back Dress shoes, **Booties will be permitted with dress pants/not ankle pants.**
- The length of ladies' dresses, skirts, etc., shall hit the top of the knee cap when standing upright. Any visible skin above the knee cap will be considered out of dress code.

Inappropriate attire, for both men and women, includes:

- **Unnatural Hair Color**
- **Sperry's style**, sandals (including dress sandals), athletic shoes, industrial work shoes, **Bob's style, Tom's style, boots of any kind, booties with any attire other than dress pants to cover them, open-toed or open-back shoes.**
- Jewelry in visible body piercing, other than ears
- Denim or chambray fabric clothing of any kind, overalls, shorts, skorts, **cargo pants**, capris, patterned palazzo pants, stretch or stirrup pants, exercise or bike shorts
- Backless, see-through, spaghetti straps, strapless, low-cut blouses/tops/dresses/skirts
- **Tight-fitting, form-fitting attire (fitting the body snugly, so that its shape is clearly visible, see below), including pants for both males and females.**
- **Pants with elastic at the ankle.**
- T-shirts, **polo shirts**, Lycra™, spandex, midriff tops, tank tops, bathing suits
- Athletic wear, including sneakers
- Hats or flannel fabric clothing
- Bolo ties
- Visible foundation garments

(including Legging in any fashion—under dresses. etc)



At the State Leadership Conference, the above dress code will be followed for the Awards Session

CLARIFICATION—Many women's two-piece suits are currently designed so that they do not require a blouse.

Members improperly attired will not be permitted to enter FBLA functions nor to be presented an award at the Regional or State Conference. Point deductions will be taken for competitors improperly attired.

I have read and understand the consequences of not following Kentucky FBLA Dress Code.

Member Signature

Parent Signature

Adviser Signature