

# National BPA Dress Code

## Official Officer Attire

In order to promote a professional atmosphere, BPA has specific attire for its officers. The following is an outline of the proper officer attire:

1. Navy blue blazer with official BPA logo placed on the left chest pocket.
2. Only the membership pin should be worn on the left lapel. No other pins or accessories should be worn on the left lapel.
3. The following items can be worn on the right lapel of the blazer:
  - Highest officer pin
  - Highest earned torch pin
  - One earned merit scholar pin
  - Name badge



## National Leadership Conference (NLC) Dress Code

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

- Members not dressed in required attire will not be allowed to participate in any session or any competitive event.
- Members not adhering to the Professional Dress Code will not be allowed on stage.
- Members refused entrance to an event will be given the opportunity to change into appropriate attire immediately and participate/compete in the event. Having changed into appropriate attire, the 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 one (1) hour of the infraction in question.

## Professional Dress Code

Required for the following events: General Sessions, all Competitive Events (judged, non-judged & open), Campaign Rally, Caucuses, Workshops, National Leadership Academy:

- Dress slacks, dress shirt, and tie
- Pant or skirt suit
- Suit, dress shirt, and tie

- Dress skirt or dress slacks with coordinated blouse and/or sweater
- Sport coat, coordinated dress slacks, dress shirt, and tie
- BPA blazer with dress skirt or dress slacks with blouse or sweater
- BPA blazer with dress slacks, dress shirt, and tie
- Dress shoes with socks
- Dress heels or closed-toed flats

\* Skirt length may be no greater than two inches above the top of the knee.

\* All denim is excluded for any of the items listed above.

\* No tennis shoes, sandals, flip-flops or open-toed flats

### **Casual Dress Code**

Acceptable for the following events: Tours, Special Events and Exhibit Hall:

- Jeans, pants, shorts, shirt, t-shirt

\*Footwear is required with all of the above.

### **The following are deemed unacceptable during BPA activities:**

- Strapless tops, spaghetti straps, tube tops, halter tops, midriff tops
- Spandex, lycra or transparent clothing
- Cut-offs or torn clothing
- Clothing with inappropriate words and pictures
- Swim suits must be covered with appropriate attire while in any area except the swimming pool or designated sunbathing area.

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