DANCE RULES/GUIDELINES

The following rules and guidelines are established to promote an environment in which all students feel safe and comfortable. Students and guests attending the dance are required to abide by all ALA school rules and the established expectations outlined in this document. A signed copy of the ESTABLISHED RULES/GUIDELINES and a completed OUTSIDE GUEST FORM (if applicable) should be submitted at the time of ticket purchase.

TICKETS

1. Students or guests removed from the dance or denied entry to the dance will not be given a refund.
2. Any guest attending the dance must be a student in grades 9-12.
3. Any student or guest who is enrolled in school and serving a suspension or expulsion during the date on which the dance is held or who has been expelled from school for any period of time during the current school year will not be eligible to attend. Students will not be given a refund for tickets purchased prior to a suspension or expulsion.

ADMITTANCE AND ATTENDANCE

1. Admittance is subject to approval of the administration. Note: Permission to attend the dance is a privilege, not a right, and may be revoked by the administration.
2. Any student or guest may be searched for weapons and illegal substances prior to admittance into the event.
3. Valid ID may be required for admittance.
4. Any student or guest who leaves during the dance will not be readmitted.
5. All students and guests must leave campus within 30 minutes of the end of the dance.

GENERAL RULES

1. All ALA school rules and the established rules expectations outlined in this document are in force during the dance.
2. Any student or guest suspected of using alcohol or any controlled or illegal substance prior to or during the dance will be removed from the dance and subject to an out of school suspension and may face criminal charges.
3. Any student who engages in fighting, harassment or disruptive behavior may be asked to leave the dance.
4. Students who purchase tickets are required to inform their guests of all the ALA rules and the established expectations for the dance. A “Guess Pass” form must be filled out and turned in before being admitted to the dance. Guests are required to abide by all rules including those outlined in this document. Any student or guest choosing not to do so will be removed from the dance.
5. School administration maintains the right to prohibit music that is not consistent with the ALA mission.

DANCE CONDUCT: School dances are school functions, and as such, students are expected to dress and behave in ways that are appropriate for the school setting. Students and their guests are expected to behave appropriately on the dance floor. Students must recognize that movements and dance styles present in non-school settings or portrayed in the entertainment industry are not always appropriate in the high school setting. Sexually explicit dancing such as freaking, grinding, or any other type of dancing or act which could be construed as vulgar or provocative is prohibited. Dancers must remain upright with both feet on the floor. Face-to-face dancing is preferred. No “making out” (overt and/or prolonged public displays of affection). Moshing or slamming is not permitted. NOTE: Violation of the dance conduct policy will result in removal from the dance and possible discipline. No refund will be given to students or guests who are asked to leave the dance.

DANCE DRESS CODE: American Leadership Academy High School dances are school events and reflect the values and standards of our school. The ALA Dance Dress Code will be strictly enforced at all formal dances and must be followed by all students attending which includes ALA students and their guests. Anyone not in compliance with the Dress Code will not be admitted to the dance and refunds will not be issued. If you are bringing a date from another school, it is your responsibility to make him/her aware of the ALA Dance Dress Code.

GUIDELINES:
• Necklines of a dress, top, or gown must go straight across from top of armpit to top of armpit with no cleavage showing.
• No strapless or backless tops.
• No exposed undergarments or sleepwear.
• Backlines and sides must cover the torso, chest and back and should be no lower than a normal bra strap.
• Cut-outs or any exposure of chest, midriff, thigh, naval or abdomen are not permitted.
• The dress, skirt, or gown must be no shorter than the student’s mid-thigh. This includes slits in dresses or skirts.
• The garment should not be excessively tight and should allow free movement without necessity of adjustment.
• No pinning is allowed as an alteration for a dress if without the pinning the dress does not meet dress code.
• Dresses need to meet the above guidelines without adding any jacket or cover-up that may be removed once inside the dance.

PROHIBITED ITEMS:
1. Shirtless or unbuttoned shirts.
2. Clothing that displays an insignia or sign which shows disrespect for any race, creed, color, or nationality.
3. Clothing that displays obscene or suggestive phrases, immoral or illegal behavior.
4. Cult or gang apparel.
5. Bandannas, baseball caps, or hats.

School administration has the final judgment in determining compliance with the Dress Code and making the subjective determination of modesty. Students are advised to err on the side of modesty and formality. Please do not put school administrators in the difficult position of upholding school standards or let yourself or your date be embarrassed by being called out for violating our school’s dress code and asked to leave the dance.

I understand the established rules and guidelines for the dance and agree to abide by them. I understand the consequences for any inappropriate behavior. I understand that if I am asked to leave the dance for not following school rules and/or the established expectations for the dance, no refund will be given. I also understand that the dance is a school event and is tobacco, drug and alcohol free.

ALA Student Name (Print) ________________________________________________   Signature____________________________________________________

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