

Dear Miraleste Parents and Students,

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the Miraleste 2021-2022 Cotillion season. This popular Peninsula tradition helps develop boys and girls into young ladies and gentlemen. Seven themed dances provide a party atmosphere for instruction in basic dance steps and social graces. Students dress up in semi-formal attire or in costumes related to theme dances. Parents will be invited to participate in a memorable Father/Daughter, Mother/Son dance. Students look forward to the dances and have a great time participating with their classmates.

At the end of 8th grade, students may apply for High School Assembly. Assembly is a program of formal dances, etiquette and community service, culminating in a senior recognition ball. Membership is competitive and requires three years participation in Cotillion with a minimum amount of excused absences.

Please go to www.pvassembly.com for more information.

Participation Code

Attendance at all dances is encouraged. The Grade Level Chairperson must be contacted before any absence followed by a handwritten note from the student to the chairperson. Students are expected to be on their best behavior. The Cotillion Committee reserves the right to dismiss any student who repeatedly disrupts instruction.

Attire Guidelines

Girls: Semi-formal dress with hem length no higher than mid-thigh when hands are raised, longer is always better as with twirls and spins dresses rise; no strapless, one strap or halter dresses or leggings. White gloves - short or long – are required. Dressy dance shoes must be secure on the foot and a comfortable height - no backless or strapless shoes or tennis shoes.

Boys: Suit or sport coat; dress shirt and tie; slacks - no jeans; hard sole dress shoes - no athletic or tennis shoes. Costume or theme attire should be respectable in nature and should generally follow the same guidelines as noted above.

The dress code is strictly enforced. Please support your child by carefully checking their compliance to the dress code requirements before sending them to each dance.

Applications: Will be accepted through the first week of school.

Acceptance: Formal invitations will be mailed in September and will outline dance dates and themes.

Dances are typically on Fridays, but a Thursday dance may be necessary due to scheduling constraints. Dances start and end promptly. Students will not be permitted to leave the dance unless accompanied by a chaperone or parent.

The 2021-22 Cotillion dance dates, themes and times are as follows:

| Dance Dates: | Dance Themes: |
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| September 24 | Fall Frolic - dressy |
| October 22 | Haunted Ballroom - costume |
| November 12 | Hawaiian Holiday - Hawaiian attire |
| December 10 | Holiday Ball - dressy (Panarama Photo & Toy Drive) |
| January 7 | Awesome 80's - costume dress |
| February 4 | Cupid Caper - dressy |
| March 18 | Spring Cruise - Mother/Son, Father/Daughter (Family Photos) |

Dance Times:

6th grade 4:45 – 6:30 pm 7th grade 6:45 – 8:15 pm 8th grade 8:30 – 10:00 pm

<u>Volunteering:</u> Parent help with decorations or chaperoning is appreciated. Please complete the VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES section at the end of this registration page.

Parents will be granted permission to view and download photos from a Shutterfly site. Any photos from the site are to be used for personal use only. Please do not forward the Shutterfly website link.

Please contact Tarrah Vierra-Lambert at kanalusmom@gmail.com or 310-704-5496 with any questions.

We look forward to seeing you in September!

TO REGISTER FOR COTILLION, PLEASE VISIT:

https://www.memberplanet.com/packetview/miralesteintermediate school/registrationpacket2021-2022