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## Prom season has officially begun...



Junior Prom  
March 31, 2017



Senior Prom  
April 28, 2017



By Alex Seidel '17

The holiday season has passed, and as we hunker down to the business of the second semester, the college process and winter doldrums, we

look forward to the next big event: Prom.

Thoughts of dates, venue and fancy rides keep us going. We debate whether the boys will pick a corsage or bouquet and hope for a great after-party. But most important—the Dress, the

gown—the reflection of our exquisite taste and sparkling personality.

As we view each Facebook post, we can see the personality of our peers reflected in the styles of their dresses.



Bohemianian

Trendy

Flashy

Vintage

Elegant



First, we have the bohemian-style prom dress. Typically the girl who chooses this style is free-spirited, friendly and very natural.

The trendy prom dress is the style of the moment. People who wear this dress are normally up to date, modern and fashion conscious.

The woman who wears the flashy prom gown is often very bold, outgoing and confident in her day-to-day life.

The vintage prom dress is often worn by the old soul who is a little girly and sensitive, and likes old but high fashion.

The elegant prom gown is for the sophisticated, smart, conservative and classy woman.

## “Come to prom?” 4 ways to say no

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We beautiful people have been there: A boy asks us to formal/prom/homecoming etc., and we are just too busy. Plus, the boy is weird. Actually, we have no plans. He is just weird. We must keep in mind that breaking the news is tough for them, and every guy is different. On that note, there are plenty of options as to how to give them the ‘no’:

Take the most morally-correct route - fabricate a reason you cannot go. For instance, you have a wedding. Or a doctor's appointment at 8 o'clock on a Friday night. Ugh, your Mom schedules things at the most inconvenient times!

Maybe honesty really is the best policy. Be straight with him - he takes mirror selfies. He does this to himself.

Assuming he may have popped the question over text, just never respond. Leave it be. Maybe you never received the message? He was probably in a tunnel and it did not send right. Tip for the kind-hearted: Do not leave your

‘Read’ on. Tip for the soulless: Put your ‘Read’ on.

The dine and dash, without the dine. This option requires that you initially accept his offer. Then, the day of whatever event he asked you to accompany him to, you are terribly ill. You wish you could be there, but you have been throwing up all morning. If it is no problem, he can mail the bouquet. Why get food poisoning on this day of all days, only Mother Nature knows. Honestly going through with this plan requires a certain level of grit, but remember, he takes mirror selfies.

Of course, you can always just suck it up and go. Who knows, you might hit it off!



## The risk of spray tans

By Meredith Mayes '17

After the dress, the shoes, the selection of a date, and maybe even the planning of the afterparty comes the final prom question. Should I get a spray tan?

We have all heard and even witnessed the artificial tan horror stories: friends left looking like toasted oompa loompas on the night they will supposedly never forget. We awkwardly smile and try to convince them that they do not look orange while we are left wondering if they used Donald Trump's spray tan guy.

On the other hand, some girls look incredible with their spray tans. They walk down the hallways the day before prom blinding their classmates with their artificially sun-kissed skin. We all wonder if they did in fact get a spray tan, or maybe they actually missed the last month of school to get the perfect tan while lounging on the coast of Mexico.

As if those two options did not present enough confusion for

whether one should or should not get a spray tan for prom, there is the third most perplexing situation: the one where you leave classmates in shock the day before prom as they witness your apparent switch of races. The spray tan is so bad, that people do

jaw dropped, and I roared with laughter. Margaret looked like a wealthy retired man who fell asleep in the tanning booth.

If I am being honest, only part of me felt bad for Margaret's situation. The other part of me felt reassured in my decision to forgo the prom spray tan myself. However, when Margaret stepped out of her car at prom pictures, my jaw dropped yet again. She looked stunning. I was in shock. How could I be looking at the same girl from the day before? Her tan looked more real and beautiful than my real tan did after last summer. I guess the shower really did help.

As we enter prom season yet again, I am strongly considering a spray tan this year. Knowing my bad luck, I will definitely be the toasted oompa loompa, but maybe, just maybe, it will work. On April 27 look out for me walking down the hall. I will let you all be the judge because as far as I am concerned, isn't life about taking risks?



The day before prom Margaret the day of

not even try to pretend it is okay. They just laugh and say a shower will hopefully help.

My good friend and fellow senior Margaret Lynch perfectly exemplifies this unfortunate scenario. The day before junior prom, I definitely lost some good friend points when Margaret walked into school. My