



Wildflower Guild

Junior Cotillion of Temple

Dance Etiquette

In order for you to benefit fully from your Junior Cotillion experience and to retain your membership in the Junior Cotillion of Temple, you must adhere to the following expectations and guidelines for each song throughout the evening:

- **Politely listen to and follow instructions** given by your dance instructor and all TJC parent volunteers.
- **Gentlemen will graciously accept the dance partner** they have been assigned. Rude and distasteful comments and expressions are not permitted.
- **Gentlemen will kindly ask their dance partners to dance:**
"May I please have this dance?"
- **Ladies will graciously accept the dance:**
"Yes, thank you."
- **Graciously greet your dance partner** with a smile and introduce yourself:
"Hello. I'm _____. I go to _____ School."
- **Gentlemen will carefully but quickly lead their partners** to the center of the dance floor.
- **Couples will dance**, engaging in get-to-know-you conversation while dancing.
- **After the dance, ladies and gentlemen will thank each other** for the dance:
"Thank you for the dance."
"Thank you. I had a good time."
- **Gentlemen will carefully but quickly lead their partners arm-in-arm back** to their Color Groups.

Don'ts of Dancing

- No eye rolling or other negative body language
- No refusing to dance with a dance partner
- No gentlemen heading to the dance floor without their partners
- No bumping into others while dancing – without saying "Excuse me"
- No dancing sullenly without talking

Dos of Dancing

- **Do get to know as many people as possible at our Junior Cotillion dances**
- **Do talk with your dance partner**
- **Do be pleasant**
- **Do enjoy dancing**
- **Do SMILE and HAVE FUN!**

Benefits of the Dance Etiquette Protocol:

- Every Member dances every dance.
- Members feel confident that they will not be turned down when asking for a dance.
- Members are assured that their partners will have good manners when dancing with them.