HOUSTON GIRLS COTILLION, CLASS OF 2025

Rules & Regulations

- 1. Membership in HGC is by invitation only and is limited to the first 325 students who pay dues in full and complete registration for membership. Registration to the event is complete when the rules and regulations, consent, waiver and release of liability are signed via the electronic file.
- 2. Invitation for Membership to HGC Class of 2025is limited to girls attending Duchesne Academy, Houston Christian High School, Lamar High School, Memorial High School, St. Francis, St. Agnes Academy and Second Baptist School and expecting to graduate spring of 2025. Membership is not transferrable unless approved by the Board. Memberships are not refundable under any circumstances.
- 3. Registration and payment information is provided on the HGC website: houstongirlscotillion.com/ Class of 2025(tab.)
- 4. Attendance at the event is limited to Members and their gentlemanEscorts. Attire is a long, floor-length formal gown for Members and a full tuxedo for gentleman Escorts. Texas tux, boots and hats of any kind are not allowed. Inappropriate attire will be determined by and at the discretion of the Board, and Members and Escorts with inappropriate attire will not be admitted to the event and will not be eligible for any refund of monies.
- 5. No alcohol, tobacco or drugs are allowed at the event. Members, their Escorts, and personal belongings are subject to search. Breathalyzer testing may be required at the discretion of the Board or security hired by the Board for the event. Any Member or Escort who engages in unlawful acts or inappropriate behavior, as determined by the Board, will be asked to leave immediately, and the Member's membership will be terminated with no refund.
- 6. Any Member or Escort exhibiting unacceptable behavior (e.g., under the influence of alcohol, drugs, smoking, fighting, lewd dancing, or foul language) or in the possession of alcohol, drugs or tobacco will not be allowed into the event or will be asked to leave immediately. If asked to leave, the Member's membership will be terminated and will not be eligible for any refund.
- 7. The Parents of each Member and each Escort accept full responsibility for their student's observance of all rules and are responsible for any damage caused directly or indirectly by their student to the venue, any service provider, and/or any attendee or chaperone at the event.
- 8. Parking & Transportation: Parking is not available for Members at the event. Members and Escorts will not be allowed to drive to the event. Members and Escorts must arrive and leave by driver; driver can be a Parent, professional car service, party bus or Uber/Lift. All vehicles are subject to inspection prior to the event.

- 9. Members and Escorts must arrive to the event by 8:15 p.m. Members and Escorts are required to register with the check-in table upon arrival. Members and Escorts may not leave the event until 10:30 p.m.
- 10. Prior approval from the Board must be obtained for any late arrivals or early departures, and the Member and Escort must check-in and/or check-out with an HGC representative.
- 11. Members and Escorts will not be admitted to the event unless the Board has received a complete registration for the Member and Escort, including a signed electronic file acknowledging that the Member, her Escort and each of their Parents agree to the terms of this Contract.
- 12. Backpacks, oversized purses, and overnight bags are not allowed. Coats, shoes and purses will be checked, but HGC is not responsible for any damage or loss relating thereto.
- 13. Failure to comply with the rules of Houston Girls Cotillion is grounds for dismissal from the event without any refund.
- 14. HGC is an organization of volunteers. Participation in the event is voluntary and the Member, Escort, and Parents assume all risk associated therewith. The HGC Parties are not responsible for the safety or conduct of any Member or Escort.
- 15. The Board reserves full discretion in admitting and dismissing Members and Escorts from the event.
- 16. Members may attend the event with or without an Escort.
- 17. Each Member, Escort and Parent acknowledges that there will be photographs and video taken during the event and each consent and agree to the use of these photos and video on the website of HGC or any photographer designated by HGC as the event photographer. HGC is not responsible for the content of the photos or video and any complaints related thereto should be directed to the photographer. This consent and release is without further compensation for the use of such photos and video.
- 18. Each Member, Escort and Parent acknowledges that they will need to sign a digital waiver upon receipt of the invitation.