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From seeking
the perfect dress
to choosing
your pre-prom
beauty services,
Katy Magazine
is here to help
navigate you
through the
logistics of prom

Preparing for PROM

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Prom is one of the most built-up days of your life. You think about it and look forward to it for years, and when the moment comes, when it is your turn, you want to make sure that the experience is everything that you have imagined. There will be hiccups, no prom is perfect, but with the help of *Katy Magazine's* prom experts, we hope that your prom will leave you with the kind of *memories you've dreamed about.*

Tennille Faber and
Everett Featherston



The Dream Date

Picking the date is half the battle and is generally one of the biggest worries when planning for prom. If you do decide to go with a date, make sure to go with someone that you will have the most fun with and who will get along with your friends. After all, this is the last opportunity you will have with your entire class. Don't waste it getting too hung-up on the date! If you're flying solo, don't let that stop you from going to prom. Turn the dance into a fun girls' night that you will never forget.

Planning a Promposal

Whether you go with your best friend or boyfriend, every date wants to be asked with style. Students over the years have gotten more and more creative with the methods they are taking in asking their date. If you are in choir, use your singing skills to serenade your prospect in front of the school at lunch, or ask her friends for help, they will quickly jump in on the action. Have a cheerleader spell out P-R-O-M at a pep rally. Ladies, don't be afraid to ask the boy you're eyeing. Whatever you do, don't take the job lightly. The promposal sets the tone for how excited your date will be to go with you.

Stressing over the Dress

Pick a dress that makes you feel comfortable and will be easy to dance the night away in. Do keep restrictions and dress code in mind. You don't want to go to the dance in anything too risqué. After that, it's all about making a statement! Find a dress that suits you, and have fun getting all prettied up.

Picking Your Group

If you decide to go with a large group, it is crucial to set your plans and pick your group far in advance, especially

if you are planning on taking a party bus or a limo, and if your group has more than 20 people. Because many schools have prom on the same night, reservations go quickly. Don't get too caught up with who is in your group. Everyone will be together at the dance and you can always meet up with other friends afterward. Try not to take any of the planning to heart if it doesn't go in your favor.

Planning Pictures

Pictures at the actual prom are likely expensive and take time from dancing the night away, but are important. So, make sure to plan on taking some before the dance somewhere nice with your date or prom group. Outside photography is usually best, but plan for somewhere with covering in case of rain. Some places to keep in mind are Firethorne, Cross Creek Ranch, and Pine Forest Country Club.

After Prom

If you and your friends are planning to go somewhere after the dance, be sure to book far in advance. Also, be sure to have plenty of food because you will be hungry after from all of that dancing! Parents, if you decide to let your child stay the night after prom, make sure you know the adult that will be chaperoning. It's important that parents have names and phone numbers of chaperones in case of an emergency.

Coping with Cost

From the limo expenses, the dress, dinner, hair appointments, nails, and renting a place after, the cost can be overwhelming. If you are going somewhere after prom, keep in mind that costs can range from \$50



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Hot Prom Trends this Season

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Face Contouring

GOWNS

Two-piece Crop Dress with Full Skirt
Long Lace Sleeves
Beaded Tops
Classic Colors: Champagne, Black, and Red
Flowy Bottoms
Fitted Skirts with High Slits
Low Back
Tops with a High Neckline

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to \$100 a person depending on how many people are in your group. And the farther away your rental is, the more it will cost for your party bus to take you. Plan those costs around how much you spend on the dress or other expenses.

Have a Blast

Despite the million details that go into planning your once-in-a-lifetime night, it's important to be free from the stress and just have fun with your friends. In the end, the dress, the date, or the party bus won't matter. The memories will last and you will look back and laugh about the hiccups. Just enjoy the last moments of your senior year and celebrate the time you have had with your classmates.

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KRISTA FRIEDLI had a blast living it up at her senior prom at Taylor High School.

Katy Magazine would like to thank the students who participated in Taylor High School's Prom Extravaganza for providing input and models for our prom feature.

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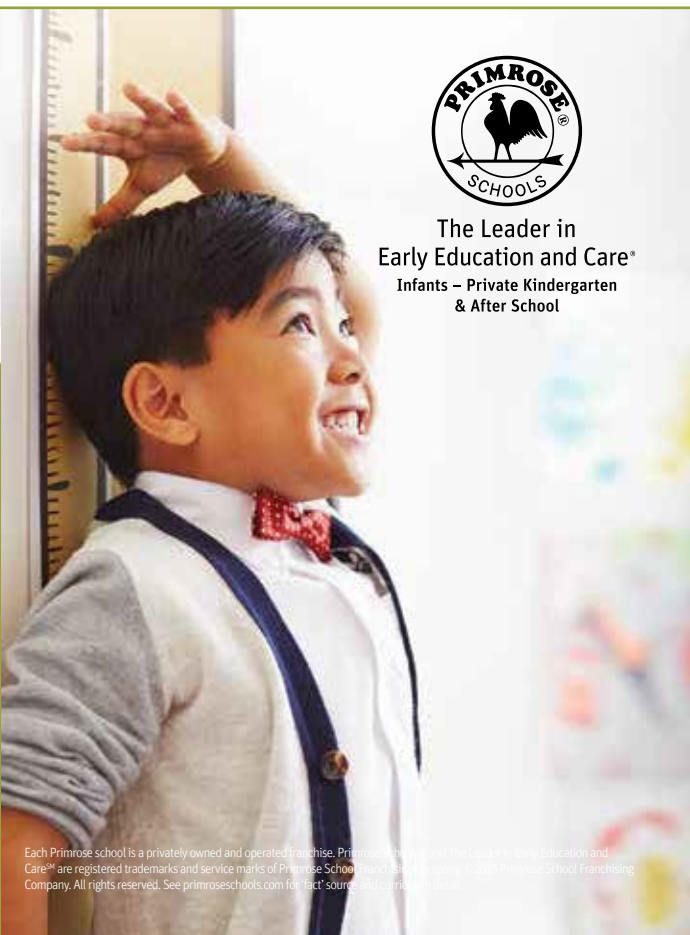
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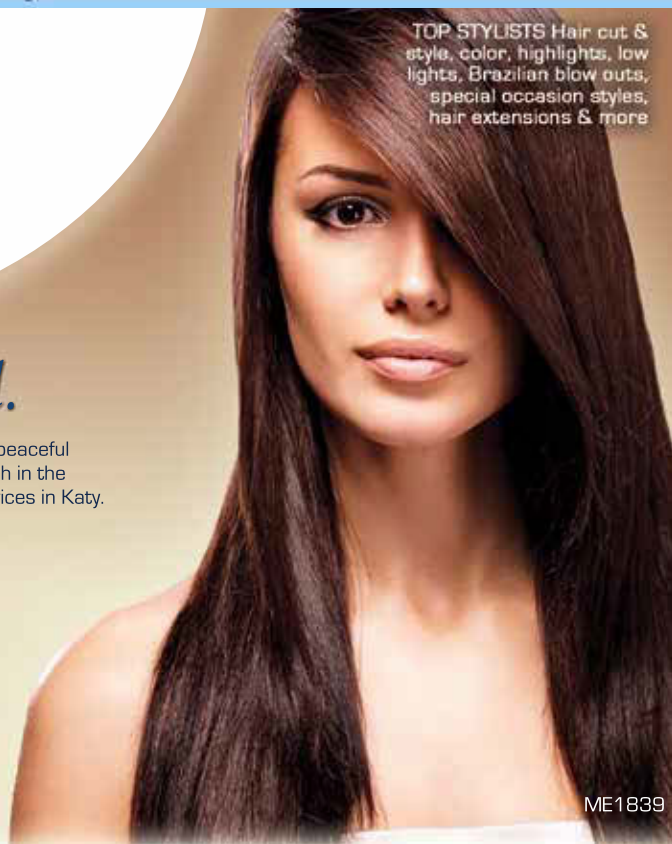
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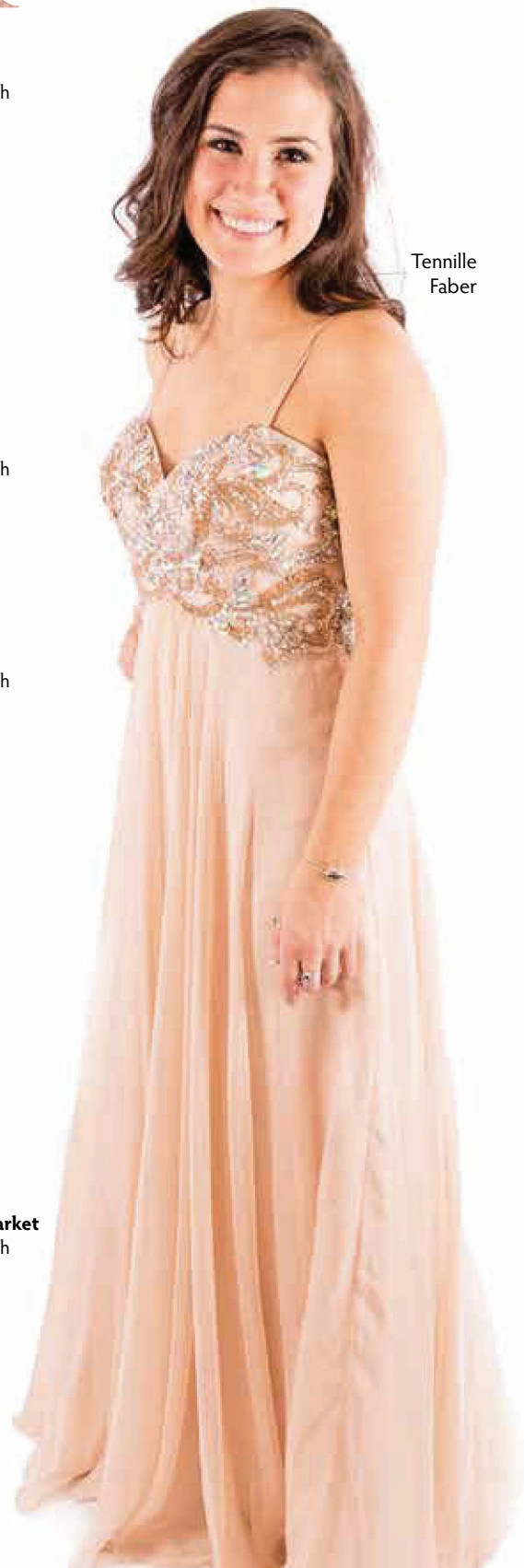
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