



Cosplay/Costume Policies 2026

In-Person Policies

Costumes

- For safety purposes, all attendees must wear shoes.
- We are a family-friendly environment. We ask that you refrain from wearing excessively revealing cosplays. If you have to ask yourself, "Is my cosplay too revealing?" The answer is probably yes.
- Men and women are required to wear full coverage shorts and full coverage tops.
- Underwear, swimsuits, and lingerie are not accepted attire.
- No fursuits are allowed per Keesler AFB attire regulation.
- KeeslerCon reserves the right to ask you to change or cover up.

Props

- Absolutely no live steel, explosives, or actual weapons are allowed: metal blade weapons, guns, bullets, metal baseball bats, etc.
- Prop firearms must have a bright orange tip and not loaded with any kind of projectile (foam, tethered, or liquid).
- No objects that generate excessive noise, light, smoke, or confetti are allowed
- All oversized props and costumes should be handled in a manner as to not endanger the safety of others, pose a fire hazard, or block large areas where people cannot pass through.
- KeeslerCon reserves the right to ask you to remove your prop from the premises if deemed dangerous or handled irresponsibly.



Cosplay/Costume Contest 2026

Judging Info

- Sign-up table will be open for registration 9:00 AM – 12:00 AM CST at the 2nd floor lobby. There will be only a set number of entries allowed. The earlier you enter the better. Entry information will be taken down and a contestant number given.
 - Name, character, and details will be taken down into their respective categories.
 - Categories:
 - Best Individual, Age 14 +
 - Best Individual, Age 13 and younger
 - Group
 - Best Handmade
- Participants will receive announcement 15 min before contest to head to stage for judging.
- Participants will walk out onto the stage one at a time while contestant number, name, and character are read out loud.
- There will be 3 to 4 judges seated across from the stage.
 - Scores will be done on a 1(low) to 5 (high) scale.
- All judging is done by the judges during stage walkout.
 - Walkout, do a quick twirl or pose and walk to back of stage in a line
- Judges will deliberate after each category to pick the winner for that category.
 - For Best Handmade, judges will be allowed to walk over and ask contestant questions and/or get close-up looks.
- Winner announcement will happen at end of each contest on stage.
- After winner announcements, all contestants will come up on stage for group photo, per category as well as one large group photo at completion.