



Preston High School Prom Acknowledgement

April 25, 2022

Dear Student and Parent/Guardian:

Prom is approaching quickly, and the Preston staff are pleased to celebrate this occasion with the graduating students on Thursday, May 26th, 2022 at *The Ken Seiling Waterloo Region Museum, Kitchener*. The evening will begin at **6:00 pm** and end at **10:00 pm**. Doors will open at 5:30pm. The evening events will include dinner and dancing. **Attending the dinner is mandatory and students will not be granted entry to just the dance.** There will be no in and out privileges. Students should bring all required items when they arrive.

As the prom is a school-sponsored event, the school's Code of Conduct and all rules and procedures are in effect during the prom. Students may not smoke or vape during this event. The use and/or possession of alcohol or illegal drugs are not permitted at **WRDSB** events. If staff supervising the prom have reason to believe, in their sole discretion, that a student or his/her guest has consumed alcohol or illegal drugs before or during the prom, or is in possession of them at the prom, the student and his/her guest shall not be permitted to enter and/or remain at the prom. If the student is under 18 years of age, staff will place a call home to request parents/guardians transport the student (and guest) home. If the student is 18 years of age or more, or if parents/guardians of a younger student cannot be reached, staff will arrange for the student to be transported home by taxi at the parents' expense. Staff may be required to involve the police to assist with any management of this policy.

No refunds will be issued to students and/or guests who are denied entry to or are required to leave the prom early because of a breach of the school's code of conduct. Students are responsible for the behaviour of their guests. Any breach of the school's code of conduct by a guest will result in the ejection of both the student and the guest from the prom. School consequences will occur for any breach of the school's code of conduct. In addition, the police may lay charges for illegal conduct by students.

The administration and staff of Preston High School has not organized nor does it sanction any before or after Prom events. Any events held before or after the Prom, including all transportation arrangements, have been externally organized and are not the responsibility of the school. Guests will only be permitted to arrive in vehicles with a capacity not exceeding ten passengers. In some circumstances, the administration, police and/or security personnel will look into the vehicles dropping students off to ensure that there is no evidence that the Code of Conduct has been violated.

Students will also need to adhere to any COVID-19 protocols that may be put back in place by the Public Health Unit, School or Venue at the time of Prom (e.g. masking).

It is strongly recommended that parents/guardians review with their child all aspects of the evening when making a determination on Prom attendance, including pre and post Prom activities, the prohibition against the possession or consumption of alcohol and/or illegal drugs prior to the event, transportation to and from the event and appropriate behaviour before, during and after the prom.

Sincerely,

Ms. P. Bender
Principal



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Note: This letter MUST be signed and returned by every student and their parent/guardian in order to purchase their Prom ticket. Tickets will be sold May 2nd to May 6th. All tickets are non-refundable. Tickets will NOT be sold after May 6th.

Please sign and return this form as an acknowledgement of your understanding that school administration will not be planning, supervising or participating in any activities occurring prior to or following the Prom on Thursday, May 26, 2022.

You are furthermore acknowledging that the school Code of Conduct applies to all students and their guests attending the prom and that any breach of the school code of conduct will be cause to be removed from the prom and the imposition of additional school discipline.

Name of Student (Please Print) _____

Signature of Student _____

Name of Parent/Guardian (Please Print) _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Date: _____, 2022

Parent Contact Number during Prom: _____