

Wissahickon High School
Senior Prom
Presidential Caterers
2910 Dekalb Pike, Norristown, PA 19401
Friday May 2, 2025
7:00pm to 10:00pm

Along with these guidelines below, each student attending a dance must submit a completed dance-procedures form prior to the purchase of tickets. Each dance will require a new signed Dance Procedures form. See below. Keep this paper for your records.

General Guidelines

1. The prom will run from 7:00pm to 10:00pm. The dance will be held in the Presidential Caterers.
2. Prior to purchasing a ticket, all dance forms must be completed, and all obligations must be paid.
3. **BE ON TIME.** All students **MUST** arrive at the dance prior to 8:00pm. Unless student have prior administrative approval students arriving after this time **WILL NOT** be permitted to attend the dance. Tables with friends are **NOT** guaranteed and cannot be reserved. If you arrive later than the designated time, although you are guaranteed a seat, you are not guaranteed a table with your friends.
4. Students may not leave the dance prior to the designated end time (guidelines are 30 minutes prior to the end of the dance). Special considerations can be made with prior approval from an Administrator. Chaperones have the right to search any handbags, book bags, or large parcels. Students are encouraged not to bring these items to the dance. Suit coats and jackets will also be searched upon arrival to the dance.
5. School rules apply at all dances, including those involving appropriate dress.
6. School authorities maintain the right to prohibit music that is not consistent with the mission of the District.
7. For all school dances, tickets will be sold in advance of the dance. Tickets will **NOT** be sold at the door.
8. Students must present their WHS ID to gain entrance into the dance.
9. Students may be sent home for inappropriate behavior.
10. The school is not responsible for articles lost or stolen at the dance.
11. *We will be breathalyzing every 8th student at the entrance of the prom, as well as any student who is displaying signs of having consumed alcohol.*

Drug and Alcohol Policy*

1. The use, possession, transportation or distribution of any narcotic or controlled substance (drug) or alcoholic intoxicants (alcohol) on school property, or in connection with a school sponsored activity at which students are present are prohibited (WSD Policy #227).
2. When a chaperone or security officer suspects a student to be in violation of Policy #227, it will be reported to the administrator or dance supervisor immediately.
 - a. If the student is found not to be in violation of Policy #227, that student will be returned to the dance.
 - b. If the student is found to be in violation of the drug and alcohol policy, he or she will be treated under the guidelines of Policy #227. A parent/guardian may be called to come to the dance to escort their child home. Police may be contacted at the discretion of the administrator.
 - c. Students who have been questioned by school authorities and maintain they are not in violation of the policy but are still under suspicion, will be turned over to the local police for further investigation and appropriate action. Students found by the police not to be in violation of drug and/or alcohol use will be returned to the dance. A student found to be "under the influence" of drugs and/or alcohol will be treated by Policy #227 as well as face appropriate legal action.

*Non-Wissahickon students suspected of drug and alcohol violations will be turned over to the local police in accordance with Policy #227.

Who can attend?

1. Tickets for the 2025 WHS Senior Prom will only be sold to WHS Seniors. Only WHS Seniors may purchase a ticket for a guest. Guests may include individuals from 10th grade up to 20 years of age.

Chaperones

1. There will be a minimum of a 20:1 student to adult ratio throughout the evening at all dances. The adults in attendance will include a combination of administrators, teachers, parent/guardian volunteers and contracted law enforcement.
2. Administrators will attend all dances.

Security

1. Security officers will attend all school dances held on the district premises and it will be the responsibility of dance sponsor(s) to bear this additional cost.
2. Dances held off the school district premises will follow the security guidelines and recommendations in place at the host location.

Dance Procedures' Student Signature Page

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Tickets will be sold in person ONLY from March 31 – April 4th in the Administration office in D hall at the following times.

7:15-7:35 am

Homeroom and All Lunches

2:35-2:55 pm

ALL obligations must be cleared PRIOR to purchasing a ticket.

This form must be completed prior to the purchase of tickets and handed in at the time of purchase. Please refer to the student handbook for the full list of guidelines and regulations for dances.

Dance Expectations:

- The prom will begin at 7:00 pm and will end at 10:00 pm. Students will not be permitted entrance to the dance after 8:00pm without prior approval from an administrator. Students may not leave the dance prior to 9:00 pm without prior approval from an administrator.
- Students must have a photo ID to enter the dance. Without a proper ID the student will not be allowed to attend the dance.
- No bags should be brought to dances. Any bags brought to a dance will be searched upon entry and may be held until the conclusion of the dance. Suit coats and jackets will also be searched upon arrival to the dance.
- Wissahickon High School is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Personal items of significant value should not be brought to the dance.
- All school rules apply during the dance.
- Sexually suggestive dancing will not be tolerated. It is important to use good judgment and behave in a manner that is respectful to everyone at the dance.
- *We will be breathalyzing every 8th student at the entrance of the prom, as well as any student who is displaying signs of having consumed alcohol.*

We trust that the expectations as outlined above will be successfully met by the students. However, in the event the group behaviors at a dance are deemed inappropriate, the administration reserves the right to end the dance and send students home without a refund.

Box 1:

Wissahickon High School Student

Your signature below indicates that you agree that you are responsible for following all dance rules and guidelines, including those noted above, and follow the direction of all chaperones.

Printed Name: _____ Grade: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Box 2:

Wissahickon High School Student Guest of Box 1

Your signature below indicates that you agree that you are responsible for following all dance rules and guidelines, including those noted above, and follow the direction of all chaperones.

Printed Name: _____ Grade: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____