

NORTH HUNTERDON HIGH SCHOOL

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September 28, 2011

Dear Parents and Guardians:

The Homecoming Dance will take place on Saturday, November 5, 2011 in the New Gym. The evening will begin with a Welcoming Hour from 6-7 pm and proceed with dancing from 7-10 pm. Tickets for the dance are \$20 per person and will be sold October 12th, 13th and 14th during all lunch mods in Café B. The lines get very long on the last day of sales. **We highly recommend purchasing tickets the first day!**

In order to be eligible to buy a ticket for the Homecoming Dance your student must be in good academic standing and free from all outstanding obligations. If you believe that your student owes money for an obligation, please have this paid by October 12th. Payments should be submitted to the Athletics Office during normal school hours. Any student who earned less than 30 credits during the previous school year is not eligible to attend this dance based on the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Board of Education Policy 2430.

To purchase tickets, students must present their student ID cards as well as two forms: the signed permission form and the breathalyzer form. A copy of each form is attached. Extra copies of the forms will be available in the Guidance Office, Room 153 and on the North Hunterdon website.

All tickets must be purchased separately, even if students plan to attend as a couple. Each individual student must buy his/her own ticket and present an ID card when purchasing that ticket. Separate forms and separate checks must be submitted for each student. Please make checks out to **NHHS Student Activities**. We cannot accept cash!

North students inviting out-of-school guests must have the guest approved by our Dean of Students, Carol Skidmore, **before** purchasing the tickets. All of the guest's information must be filled out on the bottom of the North student's permission form. Once completed, this form should be left in the **attendance office** for Mrs. Skidmore to approve. **Be sure to allow at least one week for the approval process.** We recommend submitting the forms as soon as your child decides to attend the dance!

There are no paper tickets for this dance. The student's ID card is the admission ticket and will be scanned upon entry. It is **MANDATORY** that all students bring their ID cards to the dance. If a student is bringing an out-of-school guest, the ID of the North student will also have the guest's information. The guest simply needs some form of photo identification: an ID card from another school, driver's license, etc.

The doors will open at 6 pm for students to begin checking in. No student will be admitted to the dance after 7 pm. This is a semi-formal event. No jeans or sneakers will be permitted. Gentlemen should wear dress pants and a dress shirt (suits/tuxes are not necessary) and women may wear long/short dresses or a skirt/slacks with dress shirt. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Salopek (hsalopek@nhvweb.net) or Mrs. Slowinski (tslowinski@nhvweb.net).

Homecoming Guidelines 2011:

- You must bring your photo ID to the Homecoming Dance.
- You may not bring water bottles or other containers into the dance.
- Once you are checked in, you are here for the whole event! If you leave the building for any reason, you may not return.
- A reminder: State law prohibits smoking on school grounds by anyone, including non-students.
- All students must be academically eligible to participate in this co-curricular event.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Michael P. Hughes'.

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HOMECOMING PERMISSION / SIGNATURE FORM

NHHS Student Name: _____

ID Number: _____ Homeroom Teacher: _____

We have read and reviewed the North Hunterdon Student Handbook and understand that all North Hunterdon High School rules and regulations will be strictly enforced for all students and guests. I will ensure that a parent, guardian, or the designated emergency contact will be available during the evening of the dance in the event that our son/daughter and/or guest is required to leave.

NHHS Parent Name _____

Home Phone Number _____ Cell Phone Number _____

Name of Emergency Contact _____

Phone Number(s) of Emergency Contact _____

*Fill out the following if you are bringing an **OUT OF SCHOOL** guest only: (In-school guests need their own form)*

Guest Name _____ Guest Signature _____

Signature of Guest Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

Home Phone Number _____ Cell Phone Number _____

Name of Emergency Contact _____

Phone Number(s) of Emergency Contact _____

Name/location of school guest attends _____

Phone Number of school guest attends _____

Signature of Administrator from *GUEST'S* School _____

(An administrator from the guest's school must sign off on this form before the form is submitted to an NHHS Administrator.)

SIGNATURE OF NHHS ADMINISTRATOR: _____

(All out of school guests must be approved by their school's administration AND the North Hunterdon Administration prior to buying tickets. In order to bring an out of school guest this form must be turned in to Dean of Students, Carol Skidmore no later than October 5th)

*This permission form must be completely filled out and signed on the second page
PRIOR to purchasing your tickets.*

North Hunterdon Homecoming Dance
November 5, 2011
Important Information

You must be in attendance the day of the event in order to be permitted into the event.

We expect our North Hunterdon High School students to conduct themselves at school-related functions in a manner that would make their parents and our community proud. We hope, as their parents do, that our students will present themselves always as persons of integrity. However, sometimes students ignore the law and school regulations by engaging in activities that are questionable or illegal. We hope to ensure that students understand the repercussions of their actions should they choose to use prohibited substances at a school-sponsored event.

REASONABLE SUSPICION:

According to New Jersey Statute 18A: 40A-12, school personnel have a legal obligation to report and test students who are suspected to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol. The following excerpt from the statute provides a basic explanation of why any students suspected of using illicit substances must undergo an alcohol and drug screening conducted under the direction of a physician as well as a physical examination. **Under this statute, school personnel cannot make any determination of the medical status of a student by testing via a swab or by breathalyzer.**

“Whenever it shall appear to any teaching staff member, school nurse or other educational personnel of any public school in this State that a pupil may be under the influence of substances as defined pursuant to section 2 of this act, that teaching staff member, school nurse or other educational personnel shall report the matter as soon as possible to the school nurse or medical inspector as the case may be, or to his designee. The principal or his designee, shall immediately notify the parent or guardian and the Superintendent of schools, if there be one, or the administrative principal and shall arrange for an immediate examination of the pupil by a doctor selected by the parent or guardian, or if that doctor is not immediately available, by the medical inspector, if he is available.” 18 A: 40A-12

Students with positive test results will be suspended for ten days and undergo five counseling sessions with our Student Assistance Counselor (SAC). Other disciplinary measures may be imposed.

RANDOM BREATHALYZER TESTING:

Random Breathalyzer Testing is used at NHHS as one facet of a comprehensive drug and alcohol prevention program. The purposes of random breathalyzer testing are to deter students from using alcohol and to identify students who are using so that families can take the appropriate steps. The approach to random breathalyzer testing is therapeutic. Students who test positive are suspended from participation in co-curricular activities for a minimum of two weeks as well as loss of parking privileges. Students must participate in sessions with the Student Assistance Counselor.

I have read the above information and I understand that I must refrain from alcohol and drugs at school-sponsored events.

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____