

NORTH HUNTERDON HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students:

The 2021 Homecoming Dance “Sweater Weather” will take place outdoors on Saturday, October 16th in the main parking lot. A rain date has been scheduled for Sunday, October 17th. The evening will begin at 4:00pm on both dates and will proceed until 8:00pm. Tickets for the dance are \$25 per person. The Homecoming Dance is open to students in all grade levels. Tickets need to be purchased online through the school’s Booktix system, see below. Tickets can be purchased from September 22nd through October 16th, the date of the event.

Homecoming Ticket Purchase

1. Navigate to: <http://nhhsdance.booktix.com/>
 - a. Select Homecoming as the event
 - b. Choose up to 2 tickets to be purchased
 1. North students should purchase an “NHHS Student” ticket
 2. Guests from outside of North should purchase a “Non NHHS Student” ticket
 - c. Complete the purchase of the ticket
2. Print out the ticket
3. Out-of-school guests must complete and submit the “Out of School Guest Form”, that can be found on the last page of this document, by **October 8th**. The forms can be submitted to Mr. Petraglia in room 239.
4. Bring the ticket to the Homecoming Dance along with a photo ID.

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 8th. Payments should be submitted to the Ms. Ellis in room 239 during normal school hours. Any student who earned less than 30 credits during the previous school year (excluding current freshmen) is not eligible to attend this dance based on the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Board of Education Policy 2430.

Out-Of-School Guests

North Hunterdon students inviting out-of-school guests must have the guest approved by Mr. Petraglia, Director of Student Activities, **before** purchasing the tickets. The OUT-OF-SCHOOL GUEST form is attached below. The out-of-school guest should purchase their ticket online, complete all the necessary information components, and print out the designated Out-of-School GUEST Ticket. Under the Student ID of the guest ticket, enter the NHHS Student ID as “Guest”.

We recommend submitting the forms to Mr. Petraglia in room 239 as soon as your child decides to attend the dance, but no later than October 8th.

Students must present their printed ticket and student ID at the door for entry into 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 a form of picture ID – an identification card from another school, a driver’s license, etc.

Homecoming Guidelines:

1. You must bring your printed and signed Homecoming Ticket
2. You must bring your NHHS photo ID (or other photo ID) to Homecoming.
3. You may not bring water bottles/other containers or large bags into the dance. Water be provided inside of the dance. Any small bag is subject to search by NHHS staff.
4. Once you are checked in, you are there for the whole event! If you leave the building for any reason, you may not return.
5. A reminder: State law prohibits smoking on school grounds by anyone, including non-students.
6. Guests who are age 21 and over are not permitted to attend.
7. Administration reserves the right to deny guest requests for any reason.
8. Students are expected to follow all school policies and procedures including dress code.

Students can begin checking in at 4:00pm. No student will be admitted to the dance after 5:00pm. **This year’s event will not be semi-formal due to the weather. Gentlemen are encouraged to wear sweaters and sport coats to be on theme. Women are encouraged to wear long/short dresses or any type of warm sweater to be on theme.** If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Garcia (mgarcia@nhvweb.net) or Mr. Owdij (mowdij@nhvweb.net).

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 a minimum of five counseling sessions with our Student Assistance Counselor (SAC). Other disciplinary measures may be imposed.

RANDOM BREATHALYZER TESTING

Random Breathalyzer Testing will be used at the Homecoming Dance and is 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 parking privileges. Students must participate in sessions with the Student Assistance Counselor.

Homecoming is one of the highlights of the student experience at North Hunterdon High School. I hope that many of our students will take advantage of this opportunity and have a safe, fun and memorable night with their peers.

Sincerely,



Dr. Gregory Cottrell
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**HOMECOMING OUT-OF-SCHOOL GUEST
PERMISSION / SIGNATURE FORM**

*Fill out the following if you are bringing an **OUT OF SCHOOL** guest only*

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 _____

NHHS Parent Signature _____

Out-of-School Guest Name _____

Guest Signature _____

Signature of Out-of-School Guest Parent/Guardian _____

Date _____

Guest Home Phone Number _____

Guest Cell Phone Number _____

Name of Guest Emergency Contact _____

Phone Number(s) of Guest Emergency Contact _____

Name, address and phone number of school guest attends/place of employment

Signature of Administrator from *GUEST'S* School/Employer _____

Printed name of Administrator from *GUEST'S* School/Employer _____

SIGNATURE OF NHHS Student Activities Director: _____

*This permission form must be completely filled out and signed
PRIOR to confirming your tickets.*