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Dear Parents and Students:

As spring draws near, the Junior-Senior Prom quickly approaches. In an effort to help your family plan for one of the most memorable high school events that we offer, we wanted to provide you with as much detail as possible about the event. We are excited to announce that our Prom will be held on Friday, April 26th, at The Rosemont Convention Center. The cost is \$75 per person. **Please note each student AND each guest will need to fill out their own permission form.** Due to reservation requirements, unfortunately we will not be able to offer refunds after April 19th. Additionally, **no refunds will be issued to students in the event of a disciplinary action or an attendance issue on the day of prom, which results in the student's inability to attend prom.**

While tickets for the Prom itself are always available to any eligible CG student (as an individual) or with a date, sign up for our wildly popular (and safe) Post-Prom activity supported by our Booster Club is unfortunately limited. We **will be selling post-prom tickets on a first come and first served basis**, prioritizing as many seniors as possible attending their last Prom and Post-Prom with us. Below are the details of the process that allow for the aforementioned prioritization and also minimize attendance issues during the school day. In the past four years, Post-Prom has NOT sold out; all students who wanted to, were able to attend this event.

Beginning the evening of Tuesday, April 9th from 6 PM to 9 PM Cary-Grove High School Seniors only, may sign up for Prom and Post-Prom in the Media Center on this date. Senior Cary-Grove students attending with another Senior Cary-Grove student will register from 6 PM until 7:30 PM, the Senior CG students attending with anyone other than a Cary-Grove senior student will register from 7:30 to 9:00PM. If arriving after 7:30 PM, any CG senior/CG senior must go to the back of the line.

On the evening of Wednesday, April 10th from 6 PM to 8 PM any CG Junior and their date or CG Senior and their date (if they did not sign up on April 9th) may sign up for Prom (and Post-Prom, until sold out). On this date **there will be no priority given to CG seniors.** Additional ticket sale dates are shown in the table below.

Prior to registration, all students and guests must <u>EACH</u> complete a permission form, have an online payment receipt or a check payable to CGHS, or cash along with all paperwork approved for guests.

Any change request to prom arrangements after the April 9th and 10th sale dates will require a \$10 processing fee.

These steps MUST be completed to attend CGHS PROM 2019

| STEP 1 Students receive letter by email and print permission form Students complete permission form including student / guest / parent guardian signatures ALL SIGNATURES AND LINES MUST BE COMPLETED TO REGISTER |
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| STEP 2 Students bringing a guest must get paperwork approved by their Dean or an Administrator between 4/1 - 4/5 |
| STEP 3 Students along with their paperwork and money or receipt of online payment MUST REGISTER IN PERSON ON ONE OF THE FOLLOWING DATES: Tuesday April 9 th from 6-9 pm (SENIORS only) Wednesday April 10 th from 6-8pm (JUNIORS and any SENIOR who did not register Tuesday) |
| CHANGES /ADDITIONAL TICKET SALES Any student registration changes or additional ticket sales will take place 7:00-7:20 am in the media center Friday April 12 th , Wednesday April 17 th , and Friday April 19 th |

Any misconduct that arises through ticket sales will result in appropriate disciplinary action and could result in an inability to attend Prom.

Guests who are not currently enrolled at Cary-Grove High School are required to have a guest pass <u>signed</u> by an administrator prior to the purchase of tickets. <u>All guests must be under 20 years of age</u>. **Valid guest passes (with a photocopy of your guest's driver's license) must be presented when turning in your paperwork.**

Online payments

Go to the Cary-Grove website and click on For Parents, and then click on Online Payments (Revtrack). Next click on Academics & Activities. Then click on Cary-Grove, Events, and C-G Prom 2019. Click to register and then this will allow you to purchase 1 or 2 prom tickets and 1 or 2 post-prom tickets. Once you have purchased your tickets, **print a receipt and turn it in with your paperwork.**

Attendance at school on the day of Prom

On April 26th, all students attending Prom **must** attend **all** classes on this date. Please note that this date is a regularly scheduled early release day. We will be dismissing classes at 12:53 PM on this date to provide staff development for teachers. As such, Prom goers should have adequate time to prepare themselves for the evening. Please make all hair, nail, and any other appointments at an appropriate time that does not conflict with class time on this date. **PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ANY STUDENT WHO MISSES ANY CLASS ON April 26th WILL <u>NOT BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND PROM.</u> No refunds will be given to individuals who cannot attend because of their inability to satisfy this requirement.**

Students with outstanding detention time

All students who have outstanding detention time must have served all of that assigned time prior to April 26th to be eligible to attend Prom. It is their responsibility to make necessary arrangements with the appropriate Deans of Students to fulfill these obligations prior to that date. No refunds will be given to individuals who cannot attend because of their inability to satisfy this requirement.

Details for the Night of Prom

All students who attend Prom are <u>required</u> to ride the buses to and from The Rosemont Convention Center. The buses will be loaded at the front of the school at 5:00 PM and return at approximately 11:30PM. **Prom-goers should arrive at 4:30 PM and report immediately to the lower gym. Students must check in with their bus chaperone at the area designated for their bus number. Prom-goers will board their assigned bus by exiting through the main entrance of the school. <u>Although parents are not allowed in the gym or at Prom, we encourage you to wait outside the school for those precious last few photo opportunities as the students make their way down the sidewalk to their bus.** In an effort to provide as much time as possible for our students at the Prom, buses will <u>not</u> be held for late arriving students. If students miss the bus, they will <u>not</u> be allowed to attend Prom. No refund will be issued in this instance. An administrator will notify via telephone the parents of any students who do not board the bus.</u>

Medications

Parents or guardians should make arrangements for medication to be administered at home. For metered dose inhalation medication, Epi-pens or insulin: students may carry their inhalers, Epi-pens, insulin and self-administer medications as prescribed. Inhalers, Epi-pens, and insulin must be properly labeled and stored in a safe location. Students who carry medication; non-prescription or prescription, without proper documentation will become a dean issue.

Allergies

This year's dinner is buffet style which allows the **students to make choices** based on their specific dietary needs.

Post Prom Activity (Sponsored by our wonderful Booster Club)

Our Booster Club generously provides a wonderful Post-Prom activity for our students at a bargain rate (\$55 per person) to them. (They even provide the chaperones!) Students who select this option can look forward to more socializing and dancing while overlooking the Chicago skyline at night on a boat that cruises the waters of Lake Michigan. We strongly encourage students to consider this fun and safe activity. Students will leave from The Rosemont Convention center and travel downtown to ride the "*Spirit of Chicago*" boat on Lake Michigan. Students return to Cary-Grove at approximately 4:00-4:30 AM. Students must have transportation home at this time. Booster members will not wait more than fifteen minutes for a student to be picked up. As mentioned in the ticketing information above, space is limited for this event.

Dress Code

CGHS staff and administration will be enforcing the prom dress code for the 2019 event. We want you to have fun, but we want everyone to be dressed appropriately. Each student should make sure their attire meets the dress code BEFORE the night of prom. It is the responsibility of CGHS students to inform their dates of the basic guidelines. To view the document that was emailed detailing the guidelines go to the Cary-Grove website. Some basic guidelines are tuxedos and formal suits and ties for the gentlemen. For the ladies, the front of dresses should not be cut below the bust line, nor should the back be cut lower than the waistline. Finally, there should be no cutouts of exposed flesh and dresses should not be shorter than two inches above the knee. If a two-piece dress is chosen, material or netting must be used to secure the two-pieces together at all times. **Snaps and hooks will not be permitted.** This is a formal event and we wish to keep it that way.

Behavioral Expectations for the evening

Simply stated, this will most assuredly be one of the most elegant and classy events that our students will attend to this point in their lives. As such, we expect their behavior to match. This is a school event. <u>All students **and their guests** (regardless of age) are expected to adhere to our school rules while attending any portion of the event. (This includes the Post-Prom activities as well.)</u>

Unfortunately, we have had minor problems in the past with students arriving for the buses after drinking at pre-prom activities. If you are hosting a pre-prom party, please help our students to make positive choices at those events. **Emphatically stated...** School District 155 policies prohibit the possession of, control of, use or consumption of, or any evidence of being under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages. We'd like to thank all of our parents in advance for your diligent efforts to keep our student body safe and alcohol free on this night. In an effort to do our part, no beverages of any kind may be brought into the building or onto the bus on the evening of Prom. No backpacks or carry-on bags are allowed. Any bags brought are subject to search and will not be allowed on the bus.

Unfortunately, violation of school rules will result in the immediate removal of those students from all Prom activities and school disciplinary consequences will follow. Parents will be contacted and expected to pick up their child immediately. Depending on the nature of the infraction, <u>police involvement may also be necessary</u>. Reminder: As is the case at all school events, using and/or possessing tobacco or nicotine materials, including without limitations, electronic cigarettes is prohibited at Prom AND Post-Prom.

Wow! Obviously we've provided many details for you to consider as you plan for this wonderful event. I'm certain that many of the specifics seem overly thorough, but we'd rather error on the side of clarity. Should you need additional information about anything that you've read, please don't hesitate to call us here at school. We will happily direct your call accordingly.

I truly can't wait to see our students having a fantastic time in their formal wear. It's sure to be a memorable and fun evening!

Sincerely,

Neil Lesinski, Principal