

9.2.14 Student Conduct at Social Events

Social events are planned throughout the year, giving students time to have fun outside of class. Upper School socials are planned by ASB.

The purpose of socials is to allow students to constructively interact with each other in a social setting outside the academic environment. The following guidelines exist to create an environment at these socials that will be consistent with the Core Values and ultimately honor God.

Upper School Social and Dance Guidelines:

Students should act responsibly and abide by expectations articulated in this handbook, including:

- No weapons
- No alcohol or illegal substances
- Uphold civil law (no illegal pranks, speeding, property defamation, etc.)
- Students should uphold the Honor Code and Core Values.
- Students should interact with everyone in a spirit of respect and dignity.
- Students may not engage in inappropriate public displays of affection.

Bear Creek social events, with the exception of Winter Ball and Prom, are intended for Bear Creek students only.

Winter Ball and Prom guests:

- Only juniors and seniors may invite guests.
- The guest must be a student in good behavior and academic standing while currently enrolled at an accredited high school or the guest must be a Bear Creek alumnus/alumna under the age of 21 by the date of the dance.
- For Prom, the guest must be at least a junior.
- A Guest Request Form must be turned in two weeks prior to Winter Ball or Prom for all guests who are not current Bear Creek students or graduates.
- Prior verbal permission only must be obtained from the Dean of Students if a guest is a graduate of Bear Creek.
- Guests must adhere to all Bear Creek School behavioral and dress guidelines.

Guidelines for social and dance attire:

- No strapless dresses
- No exposed midriff or cleavage; no fully exposed back
- Dress must be consistent with uniform general guidelines

Students should honor God in music choices. There will be no inappropriate music (overt sexual connotations or themes, cursing, violence, drug and alcohol themes, or other blatantly negative content) played at any social event or dance. Appropriateness will be determined by the ASB faculty advisors.

For the safety of our students, the entrance to the dance will close 45 minutes after the start time. Students may leave the dance early but may not return afterwards.