

# 2024 Gala Waiver & Permission Slip

## Release/waiver

1. Students and parents/guardians release and hold harmless Mahwah Home and School Association and its Board and any representing agents from any and all financial obligations or other liabilities that may be incurred, as well as any damage or injury to students or the person or property of others that students may cause while participating in 2024 Graduation Gala. Students and parents agree to indemnify and hold the HSA harmless against any financial liabilities and/or obligations.
2. Should a student become ill or incapacitated, the student and parent(s)/guardian(s) grant the HSA or any of its agents full authority to take whatever action is believed necessary under the circumstances regarding the student's health and safety, including medical treatment at the expense of the parent(s)/guardian(s) and/or the student. The HSA and its agents will be released from any liability for related decisions or actions, which may be taken on the student's behalf, or for the quality and timeliness of any medical care, or for the expenses incurred.

## GALA Rules

In order to make this evening a reality, we need a FIRM commitment from each family that their child will be attending. To keep the GALA a "safe night," the following rules will apply:

- Graduates are expected to stay until the evening has concluded – buses should arrive at MHS about 3:00 am. Students are not permitted to come late or leave early. Please plan accordingly.
- Transportation is provided to and from the venue - No one will be admitted to the venue who has not traveled with us from the onset of the evening.
- Only MHS 2024 seniors with signed permission slips and who have paid \$150 may attend.
- No cars may be left at the MHS parking lot overnight or at Ramapo College. Cars left will be towed.
- All Gala participants, regardless of age, must be picked up by a parent by 2:00 – 3:00 am (a more specific time will follow)
- All bags and persons are subject to search and will not be permitted to board the buses with any outside beverages, etc. Snacks and water will be provided on the buses.
- Students should pack casual clothes (appropriate for sports) and must bring sneakers. They will have an opportunity to change at the venue. Toiletries will be provided at the venue.
- This is a non-smoking/non-vaping event on the buses and at the venue.
- If any student acts inappropriately or is found to have inappropriate or illegal items in their possession, his/her parent or guardian will be contacted immediately to pick up the student. The venue reserves the right to search and confiscate.

If your child will not be attending, please check the "NO" box and return this form. **A response from each family is needed** to help us plan for this wonderful evening. **Please mail this form to: Susan Doherty, 297 Franklin Turnpike, Mahwah or Drop in the mailbox. You can pay via VENMO @Mahwah-High School (please add in comment – Senior Gala ticket with your child's name, email permission slip to below email after venmo). Pay as a friend, not a purchase.**

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## 2024 Gala Ticket & Permission Slip

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your name/address: \_\_\_\_\_

Your email: \_\_\_\_\_ Your phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any special dietary needs your child may require. \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact in case we need to reach you on Graduation Day or night and we cannot reach you at the above number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I give permission for my senior to attend Mahwah High School's Graduation Gala and will abide by the rules of the Graduation Gala Committee. Enclosed is my check for \$150.00 made out to Mahwah High School Gala Class of 2024.

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I give permission for my senior to attend Mahwah High School's Graduation Gala and will abide by the rules of the Graduation Gala Committee, I sent the money through VENMO on \_\_\_\_\_ date, E-mail this form to mhs2024gala@gmail.com.

\_\_\_\_ No, my senior is not able to attend.

***This is an HSO sponsored event. It is not sponsored or organized by Mahwah High School and, as such, it will not be supervised by school district staff.***