

# Minneota Public School District District Procedures

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# **DISTRICT PROCEDURES: PROM**

## I. PURPOSE

The purpose of these procedures is to outline the expectations regarding Prom in the Minneota Public Schools.

## II. BELIEF STATEMENTS

- A. Prom attendance is for all Minneota Public Schools' Junior and Senior students.
- B. Prom is a voluntary activity.
- C. Attending this event is a privilege and can be revoked by Administration at any time.
- D. Prom is a formal dress occasion. All students must be in formal attire and will not be admitted to Prom unless dressed appropriately.

#### III. GENERAL STATEMENT OF PROCEDURES

- A. Minneota Public Schools' students who are currently suspended, expelled, or attending an online or alternative school cannot attend Prom.
- B. Guests must be at least in 10<sup>th</sup> grade and may attend prom if they are invited by an 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade Minneota Public Schools' student.
- C. Older students (students who have graduated high school) may attend if they are asked by an 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade student and are under the age of 21.
- D. Any student who attends another school, is not attending school, or who has already graduated from high school must be granted permission from the building Principal before they are allowed to attend the Minneota Prom as a guest.
- E. Students are responsible for the behavior of any invited guests.
- F. Students and their guests are expected to adhere to all Minneota Public Schools' rules, regulations, procedures, and policies as well as local and state laws.

- G. The parent(s) and student(s) assume responsibility for any accident or property damage while attending and traveling to and from Prom.
- H. If a student and/or their guest is asked to leave by a chaperone or venue employee and refuses, the proper legal procedures will be followed.
- I. At the entrance to the event, everyone may be searched for prohibited and illegal substances.
- J. Prom is a school sponsored event and school behavior codes apply.
- K. Required prescription and/or non-prescription drugs must be approved by the School Nurse prior to the event, otherwise they will be confiscated.
- L. Prohibited items include, but are not limited to: flasks, glow in the dark items, sharp objects, lighters/matches, markers, weapons, canes, clothing chains, gum, eye drops, mouthwash, glass bottles, liquid items.
- M. Students and guests are subject to be tested for alcohol and other substances. Any 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> grade student or their guest(s) found in possession of or under the influence or demonstrating inappropriate behavior may be suspended from school, may not have the opportunity to participate in Commencement, and may be subject to arrest. MSHSL rules will also be applicable.
- N. The administrators of Minneota Public Schools reserve the right to make any other decisions needed to ensure a safe night for our students.
- O. Any exceptions to these procedures must be approved by the Superintendent in consultation with the High School Principal.

#### IV. DISSEMINATION OF PROCEDURES

These procedures shall appear in the student handbook and will be on the school's website.