

RICH SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents:

The Rich South High School Junior-Senior Prom is scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 2017. This elegant event will be held from 7 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. at DiNolfo's Banquets, 14447 West 159th St Homer Glen, IL 60491. Tickets will be sold from March 27th-April 10th. Tickets to this event will be \$100 per person. All tickets will be on sale before or after school in room A102 on the dates mentioned above. Cash, cashier's check and money order will all be accepted as a form of payment. **Personal checks will NOT be accepted. Tickets may not be purchased at the door.**

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your student may have a desire to attend this event and to review with you our expectations regarding prom.

1. **Expectations:** All students must have a Prom Permission Form signed prior to the purchase of Prom tickets. Freshmen or sophomore students may not purchase a ticket; however, they may attend with a Junior or Senior Rich South student. Students with dates from other schools must complete and return a Guest Request Form for administrative approval prior to purchasing tickets. Parent permission forms for out-of district students must be returned prior to purchasing tickets as well. Any student attempting to change their date listed on the ticket must make such changes 5 days prior to Prom; otherwise, the new date will not be admitted into Prom. Rich South High School reserves the right to deny any date request.
2. **Attendance:** All students who are planning to attend Prom must be in attendance at school all day on Friday, May 5th, 2017. Any student not in attendance on May 5th for the full school day will not be admitted to Prom. No refunds will be given.
3. **Grades:** All Rich South Students must have at least 12 credits and a 2.0 grade point average for the third quarter which ends March 10th (this is not a cumulative GPA but for the third quarter only). If a student does not have the required GPA or credits, he/she will not be allowed to attend Prom. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Johnson or Ms. Pulido.
4. **Discipline:** Prom is a privilege, not a right. Therefore, any student who has received more than two (2) out-of-school suspensions, or more than four (4) in-school suspensions from the start of the 2016/2017 school year until May 6th 2017; may not attend Prom. The administration reserves the right to approve any student attending the Prom based on individual attendance and /or discipline issues. (School handbook page 16)
5. **Entrance to Prom:** All students and guests may begin arriving at Dinolfo's at 6:45 p.m. The Ballroom will officially open at 7:00 p.m.; however, the photographer will be available as early as 6:45 p.m. for those students who signed up for an early picture time. Any student/guest who arrives to the Dinolfo's after 8:00p.m.will not be permitted in the Prom. No refunds will be given. All Rich South students must have their school ID to be admitted into Prom and all other guests must have a picture ID, which shows date of birth. No person over the age of 20 will be admitted into Prom. Students are expected to stay until the

coronation is completed at approximately 10:15 p.m. Any student who leaves Prom during the evening without security approval or security escort will not be allowed to return. All Prom activities end at 11:00pm. We must remember that safety is the most important issue on this special evening and we would like to encourage all students to return home unless parents have made other arrangements.

6. Prom Court: All candidates for Prom court must comply with the District 227 academic eligibility requirements as defined in our no-pass, no-play policy.
7. District and school policies apply to Prom as they do to any other school activity. Please remind your students to be aware of our expectations and the consequences associated with them, particularly with respect to alcohol. Illinois law places liability on those adults who secure or provide facilities for student parties that include alcoholic beverages, where underage students are involved.
8. School Policies: Rich South High School administrators and deans reserve the right to approve any student attending the Prom based on individual attendance and/or discipline issues. All student conduct and attendance policies for student behavior will be enforced. Any student who is on an attendance or tardy contract for any class may not be eligible for Prom pending the contract guidelines.
9. Attire: We do accept the fact that formal wear for the female students may be a bit more “revealing” (spaghetti straps and off-the-shoulder wear) than allowed by regular school dress policy. However, it is very important that your formal attire meet a high standard of decency. Dresses that reveal too much of the body around the chest, stomach, navel, lower back and sides are not appropriate. Holes, cut-outs, or sheer material covering the cut-outs in the dress are not permitted. Covering up an unacceptable dress with a shawl is still unacceptable. Slits or splits in clothing must be modest (around the knee area) and exposure of the lower back must be no further than the waistline. We will display posters in the cafeteria pictures of Prom attire that are either inappropriate or appropriate for this school-sponsored event prior to Prom. If there is a question about the appropriateness of the attire, do not wait until the evening of Prom to get approval. School personnel will have the authority to make the final decision regarding admittance to the Prom.

This is a school-sponsored event, and we must maintain a level of appropriateness in the way students are dressed for the prom. Gentlemen are expected to be dressed in formal attire (tuxedos or suits). No canes will be allowed into the banquet facility at any time.

Any students who do not meet this standard of dress will be asked to leave the Prom. It is important that our young ladies and young men are dressed in a manner that does not undermine the appropriate values that Rich South promotes as a high school.

If you are unsure of the modesty of your attire or your date’s attire, please see the Junior Class Sponsor Mrs. Johnson prior to your purchase of any attire.

You may also call Mrs. Johnson at (708) 679-3166 if you have any other questions or concerns.

10. Dancing: The staff of Rich South High School bans modes of dancing that are inappropriate, offensive and demeaning. The clear sexual overtones of this form of dancing are certainly not the kind of social climate we want to promote at school-sponsored activities. As parents, we hope you agree with this position and will remind your students of what is appropriate in regard to dancing and having fun. Students who participate in this kind of dancing will be asked to leave the prom and no refund will be given.
11. Photos: Professional photos will be available. Students will sign up for picture times prior to Prom. Picture times will be from 6:45-11:00 p.m. Please be prompt for your appointment. When photos are returned from processing, they will be reviewed prior to distributing them to students. Those photos that display gang signs or inappropriate poses will not be given to the students. No refunds will be given.
12. Forms: Attached to this document you will find the Permission Form and Guest Request Form. Required signatures must be completed by students, parents and guests along with address and phone number information. Prom tickets cannot be purchased until these forms are completed and returned.
13. Attendees must have junior or senior classification to attend prom.

The Junior Class has worked hard to make this an enjoyable evening, and we hope that your student will find it a truly memorable one.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jodi Johnson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Mrs. Jodi Johnson
Junior Class Sponsor

Beginning of January	<p>Prom Packets will be available in A102, Deans' Office, PPO Office, and on our website. www.richsouth.org</p> <p>Turn in your signed permission slip to the Deans' Office. The deans will sign all permission slips after March 10th. Permission slips will be given directly to Mrs. Johnson once they are approved by the deans.</p>
March 24 th	<p>The LAST day to turn in RS student permission slips as well as guest permission slips. All permission slips must be approved by the deans' office before you will be able to buy a Prom ticket.</p>
March 27th-April 10th	<p>Prom tickets will be sold for \$100 per person in A102. Cash, cashier's check, and money order are accepted forms of payment. Personal checks are not accepted!</p> <p>Sign up for Prom Court in A102.</p>
April 24 th -26 th	<p>Voting for Prom Court the PPO office with Ms. Pulido</p>
May 5th	<p>All students attending Prom must be in attendance all day. No exceptions!</p> <p>Prom Promise Assembly during SSP. Prom court announced.</p>
May 6th	<p>PROM!</p> <p>Remember all RS students need a current school issued ID to enter. All non-RS students must have a current school/state ID. Doors close at 8:00. Goodnight policy is in effect.</p>

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Prom Permission Form

May 6th, 2017

Please read this expectation form with your student. This form highlights the Prom guidelines outlined in the parent letter and must be signed by students, parents, and deans prior to Prom ticket purchases.

- 1. Students must have a 2.0 GPA for third quarter in order to attend Prom**
- 2. Students must have their student ID to be admitted into Prom.**
- 3. All guests must have a school ID or picture ID that shows their date of birth.**
- 4. No persons over the age of 20 will be admitted into Prom.**
- 5. All school policies outlined in the handbook and parent letter with regard to attire, dancing, and behavior will be enforced.**

I agree to follow all school rules as they apply to Prom outlined in the handbook and Prom parent letter. I understand that no refunds will be given if I fail to adhere to these rules at any time before or during Prom.

Print: Student Name _____ **ID#** _____

Address _____

Phone: _____

Signature: Student: _____

I give my son/daughter permission to attend the Rich South High School Prom.

Print: Parent/Guardian _____

Sign: Parent/Guardian _____

Emergency Phone Number _____

OFFICE USE ONLY

Your signature below denotes that the student has been cleared academically as well as discipline discrepancies.

Dean's Signature _____ Date _____

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Guest Request Form**

A student requesting to bring a guest who is **NOT** a Rich South student must have this form completed and returned to the Dean's office prior to purchasing Prom tickets. This form requires the signature of the principal or administrator of the guest's school.

As a Rich South student, I understand that all Rich South High School rules apply at school social functions. I will take full responsibility to inform and ensure my guest's compliance to these rules. The guest must always have photo identification in his/her possession. Only the guest registered is approved.

Print name of Rich South Student and ID #

Signature of Rich South Student

Grade Level

Date

As the parent of the above named Rich South student, I find his/her guest to be a responsible person, and I approve him/her as an acceptable guest for this Rich South event.

Parent Signature of Rich South Student

GUEST INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)

NAME _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

SCHOOL _____

Parent Signature of Guest

If not a student, list employer and telephone number:

Employer

Phone

As the Principal/Administrator of the school this student attends, I verify that he/she is a student in good standing. **Please imprint this form with your school seal as well.**

Signature of Administrator

Title

Date

Phone number

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Approved _____

Not Approved _____

Signature