

## School Dance

### **PLRS Dance Policy**

Dances held by PLRS are sponsored by the PLRS Students Union and are intended to enhance the social climate of the school. Dances are for the enjoyment of students and their invited guests. As such, the onus for organizing dances falls on the Council and the onus for providing chaperones falls to the parents of students.

### **Rules and Regulations**

#### **1. Who May Attend?**

All students who attend PLRS and their invited guests (approved by administration) may attend dances. The following **may not** attend PLRS dances:

- a) Elementary-aged students or students not in at least grade 7
- b) Individuals 19 years of age or older
- c) Individuals who are not enrolled in and attending a secondary school (grade 7-12)

Students from PLRS and other schools may be excluded from the dance for:

- a) 5 or more lates in a given month during the school year
- b) Poor attendance at school
- c) Being suspended from school (includes in-school suspension)
- d) Poor academic performance
- e) Ongoing/chronic behaviour issues
- f) Skipping classes/school
- g) Other reasons as deemed necessary by administration

#### **2. Dance Time**

Dances will start at 6:00 PM and conclude at 10:00 PM.

Parent chaperones and staff supervisors are expected to be at the school by 5:45 PM.

There are no in/out privileges. Once a student enters the school for the dance, s/he must stay.

Anyone who leaves will not be permitted back in.

The school doors will be locked at 6:30. Only students with permission to arrive late will be admitted after that time.

#### **3. Out of Bounds Areas**

Certain areas of the school will be locked off and out of bounds to students. These include:

- a) Junior High Hallway
- b) Classrooms and Entrances
- c) Computer Rooms
- d) Library

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- e) Home Economics Room
- f) Industrial Arts Room
- g) Senior hallway

Students found in the out of bounds areas will be asked to leave the dance immediately and will be subject to removal from future dances.

### **4. Doors**

The only school door that will be open is the main entrance door on the east side of the school. All other doors are locked and not to be used by students.

### **5. Guests**

Guest list must be submitted to the principal for approval by noon the Thursday before the dance. Students are permitted to invite no more than one guest. The principal will initially approve all for the dance. Sole discretion for approving guests rests with the principal. No other guests will be permitted to attend the dance. A teacher will be present at the front desk when the doors open to admit guests on the list. The inviting student must accompany invited guests upon arrival. Invited guests will have their dance attendance privileges revoked for further dances for any discipline issues they are involved in (including showing disrespect for supervisors) or if they disrupt the dance in any fashion. Guests must be attending a secondary (grade 7-12) school.

### **Number of Chaperones**

There must be a minimum of three-four parent chaperones and two - three teacher chaperones approved by administration and present in order for a dance to occur.

Students Union must submit the names of the chaperones to the administration two weeks prior to the dance.

### **7. Alcohol/Drug Possession and Use**

There will be zero tolerance of drug and alcohol use, either at the dance or before the dance. Students will be banned for a minimum of one year if they are caught using\* drugs or alcohol, have used prior to coming, or have such in their possession RCMP & parents will be contacted.

### **Smoking/Vaping**

As per Wetaskiwin Regional Public School Division Administrative Policy 175, there is to be no smoking/vaping on school premises or property. This includes cars parked in the school's parking lot. Smoking or the possession of tobacco products by students under the age of eighteen is illegal. Students caught smoking or in the possession of tobacco products will have those products confiscated and will be asked to leave the dance. Parents of students who need a ride home will be phoned. Students must sit in the galleria until parents arrive.

### **8. Misbehavior**

Students and guests are expected to conduct themselves in a reasonable and responsible manner. Misbehavior of students will be determined by the chaperone.

There will be no lewd behavior

No violence or vandalism

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Guests will have the same guidelines

If a student's guest is asked to leave, the student who invited them will be asked to leave as well

Students who are visibly under the influence of drugs or alcohol will not be allowed to enter the school. A teacher supervisor or parent chaperone will notify RCMP and Parents and provide them with full details of who the students are, how they arrived at the dance, etc.

### **9. Student Dress Code**

The school dress code is in effect at all dances.

School Dress Policy: Clothing that is offensive, discriminatory or has drug and alcohol references will not be allowed. Hoodies and bandanas are to be **removed** when in school. Appropriate appearance reflects good judgment, personal respect, and respect for others. Students seen wearing inappropriate clothing will be asked to change into Physical Education T-shirts (if not available one will be provided) or turn the offensive clothing inside out. School administration or teacher organizer of the dance reserves the right to determine what is/is not acceptable attire.

Clothing with offensive words, slogans, or pictures is considered inappropriate. No coats, parkas, or outdoor clothing, or bags, food or drink are allowed in the dance. Students must check these in a designated room (library), prior to going into the gym. Students will not be allowed to go to your lockers, as all belongings will be kept in the library

### **10. Concession Use**

Students Union may sell items out of the school concession. They will be given a float (must be requested in advance) and, at the end of the evening, will give the money collected to the designated staff member who will secure the money until the next school day. The concession must be restocked immediately following the dance.

### **11. Clean-Up**

There will be a list of the cleanup and set up crew done by the Council. The cleanup crew will have specific tasks assigned to them.

### **12. Chaperones**

All adult supervisors must complete the forms as required by WRPS AP 490. This must be done at least two weeks prior to the dance.

Chaperones will be on duty in the common area, the exits, outside, and in the dance. Staff are expected to inspect washrooms at least once every 15 minutes.

There will be an assigned schedule drawn up by the Student Council staff advisor.

If there is a controversial situation that a parent comes across, they are to inform a teacher chaperone.

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**Date of Dance:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Time of Dance:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Chaperones**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Staff Chaperones**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Set up Committee**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Clean up Committee**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Notification**

Custodians: \_\_\_\_\_ YES

Principal: \_\_\_\_\_ YES

Office Staff: \_\_\_\_\_ YES

Facilities Form: \_\_\_\_\_ YES

**NOTE:** Everything must be completed and approved 1 day before the dance. Please Hand in to Dr. Humby.

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Example Form:

**School Dance Supervision Form**

I will attend and act as chaperone at the Pigeon Lake Regional School Dance to be held on \_\_\_\_\_ from the hours of 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

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Example:

**DANCE SCHEDULE:**

**PARENT CHAPERONES:** \_\_\_\_\_

**STAFF SUPERVISORS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT CHAPERONE SCHEDULE:**

	5:45 – 6:30	6:30 – 7:15	7:15 – 8:00	8:00 – 10:00
<b>GYM (INSIDE):</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>ENTRANCE DOOR:</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>COMMON AREA:</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>COAT CHECK:</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____

**STAFF CHAPERONES:**

**FRONT TABLE SIGN IN:**

**CONCESSION:**

**WHOLE AREA CHECKS:**

**NOTES: NO "IN-OUT" PRIVILEGES – ONCE STUDENT IS IN, HE/SHE MUST STAY IN**

**DOORS LOCKED AT 6:30 P.M. (ONLY PREARRANGED LATE STUDENT ARRIVAL LET IN)**

**NO FOOD OR DRINKS IN THE GYM**

**NO STUDENTS IN THE HALLWAYS , ALL DOORS CLOSED AND LOCKED / CLOSE HALL DOORS**

**ONLY STUDENTS WHO ARE ON THE DANCE SIGN-IN SHEET ARE ALLOWED TO ATTEND**