

# NORTH HUNTERDON HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students:

The 2026 Junior Prom “**Shimmering Nights,**” will take place on **Saturday, March 7, 2026**, at **The Farmhouse in Hampton, NJ**, and will include **dinner and dancing from 6:00–9:00 PM**. Tickets are **\$85.00 per person (plus an online booking fee) if purchased during January**. Prices will increase to **\$95.00 (plus an online booking fee) beginning February 1**, so students are strongly encouraged to buy early to save. All tickets must be purchased online through the school’s **BookTix system**, which will open on **January 12** and close on **February 14**—no tickets will be sold after this date.

## **Junior Prom Ticket Purchase**

1. Navigate to: <https://nhhsdance.booktix.com/>
  - a. Select Junior Prom Ticket Sales as the event
  - b. Review the information under “View Details.”
  - c. Purchase your ticket.
2. Print out the ticket or show the e-ticket on your phone for entry.
3. On the day of the event, bring your printed ticket or phone and your photo ID.

Please be advised that anyone who purchases a ticket online for the Junior Prom will be subject to the North Hunterdon random breathalyzer policy. Students who attend the prom may be administered a breathalyzer upon entry. This policy is in place to deter the use of alcohol or drugs by the student population. Attendees are advised not to eat, drink, chew gum, or use mouthwash for 15 minutes before entry, which could cause a false positive. In the event of a true positive test, students will be restricted from co-curricular activities for a period of no less than two weeks and may lose parking privileges for an extended period of time.

*To be eligible to buy a ticket for the Junior Prom, your student must be in good academic standing and free from all outstanding obligations. Obligation payments should be submitted to Erin Brogan in the Media Center during regular school hours. You can check if there are any student obligations through the parent ASPEN portal.*

*Any student who earned less than 30 credits during the previous school year (excluding current freshmen) is not eligible to attend this dance based on the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Board of Education Policy 2430.*

## **Out-Of-School Guests**

North Hunterdon students inviting out-of-school guests must have the guest approved by our Director of Student Activities, Mr. Petraglia, before purchasing tickets. The **OUT-OF-SCHOOL GUEST form is attached below and must be returned to Mrs. Luick in Room 153 no later than Thursday, February 12, 2026.** We recommend submitting the form to Mrs. Luick as soon as your child decides to attend the dance. Once approved, the out-of-school guest should purchase the Non-North Student Ticket online and complete all the necessary information components.

To enter the dance, students and out-of-school guests must present their printed tickets (or e-ticket on their phone) and photo ID at the door. Acceptable forms of photo ID include, but are not limited to: an NHHS ID card, an identification card from another school, a driver's license, a passport, etc.

### **Junior Prom Guidelines:**

1. You must bring a printed Junior Prom Ticket or show the e-ticket on your phone.
2. You must bring a photo ID.
3. You may not bring water bottles/other containers or large bags into the dance. Any small purses or medical bags are subject to search.
4. Once you are checked in, you are there for the whole event! If you leave the building for any reason, you may not return.
5. Guests aged 21 or older or currently in middle school are not permitted to attend.
6. The administration reserves the right to deny guest requests for any reason.
7. Students are expected to follow all school policies and procedures, including the dress code.
8. If you require special dietary requirements, please contact Ms. Baratta ([kbaratta@nhvweb.net](mailto:kbaratta@nhvweb.net))

The doors will open at 6:00 pm so that students can begin checking in. **No student will be admitted to the dance after 7:00 pm.** This is a formal event with attire including but not limited to: suits, tuxedos, and long/short dresses. No jeans or sneakers will be permitted. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Meghan Luick at [mluick@nhvweb.net](mailto:mluick@nhvweb.net) or Ms. Kristin Baratta at [kbaratta@nhvweb.net](mailto:kbaratta@nhvweb.net).

We recognize that the expenses associated with prom can be a hardship for some of our families, so we wanted to share the following links to organizations that assist with prom dresses:

<https://www.projectsselfsufficiency.org/prom-shop>

<https://theoutreachconnection.org/>

<https://www.beccascloset.org/>

We expect our North Hunterdon High School students to conduct themselves at school-related functions in a manner that would make their parents and our community proud. We hope, as their parents do, that our students will always present themselves as persons of integrity. However, sometimes, students ignore the law and school regulations by engaging in questionable or illegal activities. We hope to ensure that students understand the repercussions of their actions should they choose to use prohibited substances at a school-sponsored event.

## REASONABLE SUSPICION

According to New Jersey Statute 18A: 40A-12, school personnel have a legal obligation to report and test students who are suspected to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol. The following excerpt from the statute provides a basic explanation of why any students suspected of using illicit substances must undergo an alcohol and drug screening conducted under the direction of a physician as well as a physical examination.

**Under this statute, school personnel cannot make any determination of the medical status of a student by testing via a swab or by a breathalyzer.**

“Whenever it shall appear to any teaching staff member, school nurse or other educational personnel of any public school in this State that a pupil may be under the influence of substances as defined pursuant to section 2 of this act, that teaching staff member, school nurse or other educational personnel shall report the matter as soon as possible to the school nurse or medical inspector as the case may be, or to his designee. The principal or his designee shall immediately notify the parent or guardian and the Superintendent of Schools, if there be one, or the administrative principal and shall arrange for an immediate examination of the pupil by a doctor selected by the parent or guardian or if that doctor is not immediately available, by the medical inspector, if he is available.” 18 A: 40A-12

Students with positive test results will be suspended for 10 days and will complete a minimum of 5 counseling sessions with our Student Assistance Counselor (SAC). Other disciplinary measures may be imposed.

## RANDOM BREATHALYZER TESTING

Random Breathalyzer Testing will be used at the Junior Prom and is one facet of a comprehensive drug and alcohol prevention program. The purposes of random breathalyzer testing are to deter students from using alcohol and to identify students who are using it so that families can take the appropriate steps. The approach to random breathalyzer testing is proactive. Students who test positive are suspended from participation in co-curricular activities and from parking privileges for a minimum of two weeks. Students must participate in sessions with the Student Assistance Counselor.

Junior Prom is one of the highlights of the student experience at North Hunterdon High School. I hope that many of our students will take advantage of this opportunity and have a safe, fun, and memorable night with their peers.

Sincerely,



Dr. Gregory Cottrell  
Principal

# ***OUT-OF-SCHOOL GUEST PERMISSION / SIGNATURE FORM***

*Fill out the following only if you are bringing an **OUT OF SCHOOL** guest*

All out-of-school guests must be approved by their school's administration AND the North Hunterdon Administration prior to purchasing tickets. In order to bring an out-of-school guest, this permission form must be completely filled out and signed PRIOR to purchase. **Return this form to Mrs. Luick in Room 153 no later than Thursday, February 12th to bring an out-of-school guest.**

**NHHS Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ID Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

We have read and reviewed the North Hunterdon Student Handbook and understand that all North Hunterdon High School rules and regulations will be strictly enforced for all students and guests. I will ensure that a parent, guardian, or the designated emergency contact will be available during the evening of the dance in the event that our son/daughter and/or guest are required to leave.

**NHHS Parent Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cell Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Emergency Contact** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number(s) of Emergency Contact** \_\_\_\_\_

**NHHS Parent Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Out-of-School Guest Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Out-of-School Guest Parent/Guardian** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Home Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Cell Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of Guest Emergency Contact** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number(s) of Guest Emergency Contact** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name, address and phone number of school guest attends/place of employment:**

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**\*\*\*Signature of Administrator from *GUEST'S* School:**

**In signing this permission form, I am speaking on behalf of our school in saying that the student in question does not strike me as a person who might cause a disruption at your event based on their prior record.**

**Administrator's Printed Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

(An Administrator from the guest's school must sign off on this form before the form is submitted to a North Hunterdon H.S. Administrator.)

**SIGNATURE OF NHHS Student Activities Director:** \_\_\_\_\_