

## Sachem Central School District at Holbrook

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## Sagamore Middle School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

With the year quickly coming to an end, we would like to discuss some very important events that are highly anticipated and fast approaching for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Both, the annual *Dinner Dance* and the *Yearbook Signing Event*, will be on Friday, June 7th. Yearbooks are still on sale and must be purchased in advance at Balfour.com while supplies last. Yearbook signing will be during lunch periods 6 and 7 and the Dinner Dance will be held from 5:00-8:00pm. With the 8<sup>th</sup> grade formal marking the end of their middle school journey; the dance has become a very important part of their final year at Sagamore. With that being said, attending the Dinner Dance and the Yearbook Signing, is a privilege. There are policies and rules that all 8<sup>th</sup> graders must abide by in order to be eligible to attend these special events. The policies/rules are as follows:

- 1. All disciplinary/academic eligibility policies will be upheld until the evening of the dance (please refer to the Student Handbook for policies). Students holding tickets who become ineligible *on or before* June 7<sup>th</sup>, will receive a ticket refund.
- 2. All students planning on attending the dance **must** be in attendance from 7:50-2:40pm on the day of the dance with **NO early dismissal**.
- 3. All students must buy a ticket BEFORE June7th during the designated times in school. No tickets will be sold on the day of the event or at the door.
- 4. Only 8<sup>th</sup> grade Sagamore students will be allowed admission to the dance.
- 5. To be eligible to buy a ticket for the dance, all students must be in attendance at least 150 school days during their 8<sup>th</sup> grade year. Students become ineligible after 30 absences.

Hopefully, this will be a helpful guideline for you and your child to follow. Tickets for the Dinner Dance will go on sale the week before (June 3-6) and sold during your child's lunch period. The cost for each ticket will be \$30.00. This includes admittance to the dance, a fully catered dinner, dessert, drinks, DJ entertainment, carnival games and unlimited photo booth pictures. To ensure a safe and successful event, all bags, pocketbooks, and backpacks will be searched the night of the event. If any illegal or inappropriate items are found, it is grounds for immediate dismissal from the dance.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Sorrentino or Mr. Parkinson at 696-8600. We would also like to take a moment to say thank you to our Sagamore families. It has truly been a pleasure to work with your children, as well as plan special events to celebrate the culmination of their middle school years. The memories created at Sagamore will last a lifetime. We hope this letter finds you and your family well and wish you the very best in the future.

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Student Government Advisor	Student Government Advisor
Sabrina Sorrentino	Ken Parkinson
Sincerely,	

Please return this portion when purchasing your dance ticket. You will not be permitted to purchase a dance ticket without this signed permission slip.

I understand that my child must be in school from 7:50am to 2:40pm on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 in order to attend the Dinner Dance. I have read and understand the polices and rules that must be followed in order to attend the Dinner Dance and Yearbook signing.

Parent/Guardian	Student
Print:	Print:
Signature:	Signature: