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March 23, 2012

Dear Parent/Guardian of MTHS Juniors & Seniors,

In less than 6 weeks, Middle Township High School's annual prom will be held on May 5th at the Wildwood Convention Center. The night will conclude with the After Prom event held at MTHS for all attendees and all members of the junior and senior class. In an effort to promote student safety on prom night, the school has made some changes to our current procedures. First, we have adopted a new policy requiring **all prom attendees to participate in a passive breathalyzer screening prior to entering the prom**. This non-evasive procedure will alert the administration if any student may be under the influence of alcohol. If a positive reading is given, the student will be moved to an isolated location, and a second screening will be given. If the student again tests positive for alcohol, the parents will be immediately contacted to pick up the student. The student will face disciplinary action and he/she will be brought to a medical facility for further screening. **Additional screenings may be necessary throughout the evening during the prom and After Prom, if any student exhibits signs of possibly being under the influence**.

The **Municipal Alliance Committee** and the **MTHS After Prom Committee** will be hosting an information night for all parents and students on **Wednesday April 18th in the Performing Arts Center at 6:30 pm. – 8:30 pm**. This event will include a presentation regarding teenage risks – prescription drug use and underage drinking -- from **Special Agent Wassmuth from the Drug Enforcement Administration and Joe Faldetta of Cape Assist**. We encourage all students and parents to attend this worthwhile event.

Finally, I encourage all students that would like to attend the prom this year to fulfill all of their obligations regarding **attendance makeup and any financial obligations.** Students on **activity restriction for attendance or discipline will not be permitted to purchase a ticket for the prom or attend the After Prom**. They will be given a chance to fulfill the obligation first.

Prom tickets will be on sale from **Tuesday April 17th – Tuesday April 24th** prior and after school. **Prom information** will be distributed via homeroom to **all juniors and seniors during the week of March 26th**. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me (609) 465 – 1852 ext 5009.

Sincerely,

Mr. Falletta
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Dear MTHS Parent,

Middle Township High School will be hosting its annual Prom on Saturday, May 5, 2012 at **6:00 pm** with the Promenade outside of the Wildwood Convention Center. Tickets will be on sale beginning **Tuesday April 16th before school; during homeroom and after school until 3 pm outside of the cafeteria**. Tickets will be sold through **Tuesday April 24th. Tickets are $55 per person**.

As part of a new policy for all dances and to insure their safety and well being, all students and guests will be required to submit to a **passive breathalyzer screening** before they enter the event. Any student deemed to be under the influence of alcohol will be subject to school discipline, removal from the event and possible criminal charges. Parents will be notified immediately and required to transport him/her to a local medical facility. If necessary, additional screenings with the passive breathalyzer may take place during the Prom and After Prom for any student or guest that exhibits any signs of being under the influence.

Please also be aware of these rules in addition to the rules provided to you on Page 2:

- All prom guests are subject to the rules of conduct of the school regarding participation in school events, including participation in **the passive breathalyzer screening**.
- All out –of-district guests are subject to administrative approval prior to admittance to the dance.
- Smoking is not permitted at school events by any Prom attendees.
- All guests must be under the age of 21.
- Students on activity restriction (for discipline or attendance) are not permitted to attend the prom or eligible to purchase a ticket until they fulfill their obligation. They are also not permitted to attend the After Prom.
- Students must pay all outstanding fines and obligations before purchasing prom tickets.
- All prom attendees must have a legal photo ID/Student ID or driver's license to gain entry into the Prom and the After Prom.
- Inappropriate dancing will not be permitted at the Prom or any future dances.

Please sign and return this permission form if your child wishes to attend the prom (Page 3) along with a guest from MTHS. If your child is bringing a guest from outside of our district, they must complete the Prom Guest Information Sheet (Page 4) and return to school when purchasing his/her prom ticket.

Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,
Mr. Falletta, Principal

2012 Middle Township High School Prom Rules

May 5, 2012 - Wildwood Convention Center
Promenade 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Prom 7:00 pm – 10:30 pm (Must arrive by 7:30 pm)
After Prom 11:00 pm – 4:00 am (Must arrive by 12:00 am)

1. **TIME:** The promenade will begin at 6:00 pm at the Wildwood Convention center till 7:00 pm. All students must sign in at the Prom by 7:30 pm. No one will be admitted after 7:30 pm, or readmitted if they leave the dance for any reason.
2. All information and packets must be complete at the time of ticket purchase.
3. All students MUST make their seat selections at the time of ticket purchase. Students cannot hold seats at tables for other students. All tables are limited to 10 students per table. Under NO circumstances will students be allowed to change their seat selections after time of purchase. Tickets are not available for purchase at the door.
4. Formal attire is required. Students must comply with the student's dress code and may not wear T-shirts, jeans, bare midriffs, or any other attire deemed inappropriate by the administration. No hats, bandannas or other headgear may be worn inside the dance. Students whose attire is inappropriate (which includes too revealing) may be asked to leave the dance. **Young men must keep their shirts on throughout the dance. Undergarments must not be visible.** No large bags will be permitted. All purses will be subject to search, and any refusal of search will result in removal from the prom.
5. All school rules and regulations are in effect during the event and also at the After Prom.
6. All prom attendees will be required to participate in the **passive alcohol breathalyzer** prior to entering the Prom. If necessary, students may be tested again if they exhibit any signs of possibly being under the influence during the Prom or After Prom.
7. Prom Guests: All guests must be under 21 years of age and must provide identification (school ID and/or driver's license). Guest information sheets must be returned by April 27th to either Mr. Riggitano or Ms. Loteck. No student in school below 9th grade may attend. All out of district guests (students from other high schools, graduates, and/or non-students) must be approved by the administration. The administration must also have an emergency contact number for all guests. The administration holds the right to deny any guest's attendance to the prom.
8. If a ticket is being purchased for an out-of-district guest, a form of his or her ID must be presented at the time of purchase.
9. All school disciplinary policies and procedures are in effect for this event. Inappropriate conduct may cause you to be removed from the dance and/or may result in further disciplinary action. Tickets are non-refundable! **Inappropriate dancing will not be permitted. If occurring, students will be asked to stop immediately. Failure to comply will result in the student being removed from the Prom.**
10. Students must have transportation available when the prom ends at 10:30 pm.
11. The After-Prom party is being held at the High School. This is the only open to prom guests and MTHS juniors and seniors. Tickets will be mailed to your home for the After-Prom and must be brought with you to gain entrance. The After-Prom will begin at 11 pm. All guests at the After-Prom must show ID to be admitted and must arrive no later than 12:00 am. The After Prom will end at 4:00 am, and students must have transportation home from MTHS.

BY PURCHASING A TICKET, I AM AGREEING TO ALL THE RULES SET FORTH ON THIS FORM, THE GUEST INFORMATION SHEET AND ALL SCHOOL RULES TO ATTEND THE MTHS PROM AND AFTER PROM EVENT.

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MTHS PROM PERMISSION SLIP
May 5, 2012 6:00 pm – 10:30 pm
Promenade begins at 6 pm

STUDENT NAME _____ GRADE _____

GUEST NAME _____

GRADE _____ AGE _____

GUEST'S HIGH SCHOOL _____

I give my son/daughter _____ permission to attend the MTHS Prom
Student Name
on Saturday May 5, 2012. I understand and accept the rules and conditions of admission.

_____ _____
Parent Signature Date

_____ _____
Student Signature Emergency Contact Number

<u>If your guest is a MTHS student, please have them review the rules and complete the section below:</u>

I give my son/daughter _____ permission to attend the MTHS Prom
Student Name
on Saturday May 5, 2012. I understand and accept the rules and conditions of admission.

_____ _____
Parent Signature Date

_____ _____
Student Signature Emergency Contact Number

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OUT OF DISTRICT PROM GUEST INFORMATION SHEET

MTHS Student _____ Grade _____

Guest Name _____

(PLEASE PRINT)

Please check one of the following options and complete all relevant information. No guest will be permitted to attend the Prom and /or After Prom without a completed and signed form. This form must be returned to the MTHS administration no later than **April 27, 2012** in order for the guest to be eligible to attend the prom.

_____ The guest named above is currently enrolled at _____ High School. He/She is in good standing and is considered a person of good character by the principal/assistant principal of his/her school. Attached is a copy of his/her school ID/driver's license.

_____ __ _____

Signature of Guest's Principal/AP **Contact Phone Number**

_____ The guest named above is not currently enrolled in a high school. His/Her age is _____. Attached is a copy of their photo ID/driver's license (**guests must be under the age of 21 and must have a form of legal photo ID to be admitted**).

PLEASE NOTE:

- All prom guests are subject to the rules of conduct of the school regarding participation in school events, including participation in **the passive breath alcohol sensor device**.
- Prom dress is formal and must meet appropriate standards for acceptable dress (to be determined by the administration).
- All out –of-district guests are subject to administrative approval prior to admittance to the dance.
- Smoking is not permitted at school events.
- All prom attendees must have a legal photo ID/Student ID or driver's license to gain entry into the Prom and the After Prom.

I understand the stipulations for prom attendance outlined above. I agree to comply with the school rules of conduct throughout the evening. I also understand that failure to do so may cause me to be removed from the event.

_____ _____

Signature of Prom Guest **Contact Phone Number**

_____ _____

Parent Name for Prom Guest **Parent Signature**

_____Approved _____Disapproved _____

Signature of MTHS Administrator