

*The Class of 2023
Cordially Invites You To*



*Pocono Mountain West High School Senior Prom
The Americus
Allentown, PA
Saturday, May 13, 2023*

General Information

Time and Location

- * Saturday, May 13, 2023 from 5pm-10pm
- * The Americus, in Allentown, Pennsylvania

The Pre-Prom Reception

Prom attendees, guests and their families are invited to attend the Pre-Prom Reception that is being held in the Pocono Mountain West High School Cafeteria from 2:00pm to 3:30pm on Saturday, May 13. Here parents and students can enjoy refreshments, take photos and win prizes!

Itinerary

- * Pre-Prom reception from 2:00 to 3:30pm in the Cafeteria
- * Load charter buses at 3:30pm at Pocono Mountain West High School
- * Hors D'oeuvre reception takes place from 5:00 to 6:00 pm
- * Dinner is held in the Ballroom from 6:00 to 7:00 pm
- * Dancing begins at 7:00 and ends at 10:00pm in the Ballroom
- * Students and guests will load the buses and return to PMWHS at approximately 11pm.

Menu

Mocktail Bar and Beverages

Non-alcoholic specialty drinks including Strawberry Daiquiris, Pina Coladas and Shirley Temples (served during Mocktail hour only)
Soda and Water (served all evening)

Appetizers/Hors D'oeuvres

Fresh Fruit Display
Artisan Cheese Display
Cocktail Franks
Mini Chicken Quesadillas
Spring Rolls

Salad

Caesar Salad

Main Course

Please choose one of the following:

Chicken Florentine (Chicken Breast with Spinach and Creamy Cheese Sauce) served with Roasted Potatoes and Steamed Broccoli
OR
Creamy Pasta Primavera (Penne Pasta with Peas, Spinach, Broccoli, and Roasted Red Peppers tossed in Alfredo Sauce)

Dessert

Brownie with Whipped Cream

***If you have special dietary needs, please see Ms. Paul in room 204
AND indicate this on your registration form.***

Song And Theme

- * Seniors will vote for the Prom Song in February or March 2023
- * *Golden Gala*

Photography

Pricing information for the picture packages being offered by Lifetouch Photography will be distributed to you before Prom. Professional Photography will be offered in the auditorium during the Pre-Prom Reception on a first come, first served basis. Lifetouch will also be taking candid pictures throughout the evening. These pictures will be available on a website to all who attend Prom. The website will be provided to you at Prom. Please allow a few days for pictures to be posted.

Important Meeting

On Tuesday, April 18, 2023 all SENIORS who are attending the 2023 Prom will need to attend an important meeting in the auditorium to discuss seating arrangements for the buses and dinner. *(Please listen for announcements. This date is tentative.)*

Expectations

Prom Certification

All SENIORS attending Prom must have successfully completed a “Prom Certification” class with Ms. Paul and Mr. McGovern. You will attend with your English class. All classes will be held on Tuesday, February 28. This date could change. All information about these classes will be given to you through your English teacher.

School Attendance

ALL Pocono Mountain West students who are attending Prom MUST be in attendance for the entire school day on Friday, May 12, 2023. If you do not attend school that day, you may not attend Prom the next day.

School year attendance will be monitored as per school district policy. **Students who exceed 6 days of unexcused/unlawful absences or 18 days of absences overall (excused and unexcused) may not be eligible to attend Prom.** Please make sure all attendance notes are turned in within three days of your absence throughout the school year.

Also, you may not attend Prom if you have 10 or more unexcused tardies during the spring semester.

If students have questions about their attendance, they should check with the attendance office and with Mrs. Fladger, 12th grade Assistant Principal.

Transportation to the School

Please be advised, as per school district policy, animals are not allowed on school grounds.

Therefore, arriving to the school in a horse and carriage is NOT permitted.

You will NOT be allowed to enter the campus if you arrive in a horse and carriage.



Prom Transportation

All students and guests MUST use school provided transportation to and from the Prom.

Food and Drink

Students are not permitted to bring food and drink to the Pre-Prom reception or the Prom.

All food and drink will be provided by the school at the Pre-Prom reception.

All food and drink will be provided by the Americus at the Prom.

Appropriate Dancing

Seniors and their guests are reminded that all dancing at Prom must be APPROPRIATE, as discussed in Prom Certification classes.

Mr. Jones has stated, “If the dancing is inappropriate, you run the risk of cutting your evening short.”

Prom Dress Code

Prom is a formal event and all Prom attendees are expected to dress in a classy manner. The school dress code is relaxed slightly, as students are allowed to wear strapless gowns and gowns with spaghetti straps. However, please remember that this is a **high school Prom** and **clothing should not be too revealing (cut too low or too high, for example) or too short (clothing may not be shorter than 1 inch above the knee)**. Below are some examples of acceptable and not acceptable clothing. (Please also remember the acceptable and not acceptable clothing from the Prom Certification class.) If students have questions about their clothing, they should see Ms. Paul or Mrs. Fladger BEFORE they make the purchase.

NOTE: If you choose not to follow dress code rules, you will put yourself and your family in an embarrassing situation. You may be directed to return home to change your clothing. You may be directed to wear alternative clothing provided by the school. In extreme cases, you may be excluded from the Prom entirely. Following the dress code rules will prevent last-minute controversy and prevent frustration for you, your family and the West High School Administration. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding.

REMINDER: Seniors are responsible for making sure their guests are aware of ALL expectations.

Examples of ACCEPTABLE Clothing



Examples of Clothing that is NOT Acceptable



Who can attend Prom?

PM West Seniors

All current Pocono Mountain West Seniors are invited to attend Prom.

However, if you have received 11 days or more of ISS and/or OSS for the 2022-23 school year, you will not be able to attend. In addition, if you are suspended for a drug or weapons violation of any kind, you will not be able to attend Prom. Administrators will make decisions individually for students who have 1-10 days of ISS and/or OSS.

NOTE: You may only attend the Prom one time as a Senior. This means you cannot attend Prom as a “Fifth Year Senior”, unless you are the guest of a current member of the senior class.

Guests

Each PMW Senior may bring one guest to the 2023 Prom. A completed guest registration form AND permission slip must be turned in with all other information for ALL GUESTS.

(Even guests who are over the age of 18 MUST have permission slips and registration forms!)

Guest Categories

All guests must fit in to one of the following categories:

1. Current Pocono Mountain West HS Student in good standing (Grade 9, 10, 11 or 12)
2. Pocono Mountain West Alumni under the age of 21 who were in good standing during the time they attended West. (Must provide year of graduation.)
3. Current High School students under the age of 21.

Guests in this category MUST:

A. Be registered (with ALL paperwork) by Friday, March 10, 2023.

B. Provide a letter from an administrator at his/her High School on school letterhead that states s/he is in good standing. The letter must also include contact information for the school. (See sample letter below.)

NOTE:

Guests age 21 and over will NOT be permitted at the Prom.

All guests must meet the criteria outlined above, in order to receive administrative approval to attend Prom.

City High School
Home of the Dragons
New York City, New York



March 6, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing a letter on behalf of John Smith, an eleventh grade student at City High School in New York City, New York.

John is a student in good standing at our school. He has never had any discipline problems. His attendance is good and he is currently passing all of his classes.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at:

City High School
143 189th Street
New York, NY 10012
(212)543-1234
mrsmith@chs.org

Sincerely,

Mr. John Smith,
Assistant Principal

Purchasing Tickets

Ticket Prices

The \$125 per person ticket price includes transportation, hors d'oeuvres, dinner, entertainment, and favors for each person.

Instructions for Purchasing Tickets

1. Tickets may be purchased using the payment plan or by paying in full.
2. **First or full payment must be accompanied by ALL Registration Form(s) and Permission Slip(s) for PMW Seniors AND guests.**
3. All payments must also include payment slips.
4. Payments (with attached registration forms) will be accepted by Ms. Paul and Mr. McGovern during the following times only:
 - **Mr. McGovern in room 206 from 7:20-7:45am. (Please check in with your first period teacher first.)**
 - **Ms. Paul in room 204 from 1:45-2:25pm**
 - **Ms. Paul in room 204 directly after school**

Payment Plan

For your convenience the Prom committee is offering a payment plan for Prom tickets. Tickets cost \$125 per person. You have the option to make a partial payment in advance or to pay the entire cost at once.

The schedule for Prom payments is:

First Payment: **March 6-10**

Final Payment: **April 3-5**

Payments may only be made on these dates.

Payments may be made in increments of \$250/\$125/\$65/\$60

In order to take part in the payment plan, you must use the slips on the last page of this packet.

All payments must be handed directly to Ms. Paul or Mr. McGovern during the dates and times listed above ONLY.

Do NOT hand the forms in to the main office.

First payments must also include ALL required forms.

Please include your name on the memo section of the check.

Refund Policy

Full refunds can possibly be given before Tuesday, April 18, 2023. After Tuesday, April 18, 2023 no refunds will be issued.

Please see Ms. Paul in room 204 to request a refund.

**All outstanding balances and all Prom tickets MUST be paid for in full
by Wednesday, April 5, 2023.**

*This means that if you have not paid for your Prom tickets AND handed in
ALL forms by Wednesday, April 5
you will NOT be able to attend the Prom.*

PMW STUDENT REGISTRATION

(Please PRINT clearly and fill out ALL sections of this form.)

FIRST NAME: _____ LAST NAME: _____

HOMEROOM: _____

ADDRESS: _____
Street Number and Name

_____ City _____ State _____ Zip

I attended PROM CERTIFICATION class on ____/____/2023.

Food Choice (choose ONE): Chicken Florentine Creamy Pasta Primavera
**Descriptions are listed on page 2 of this packet.*

Do you have special dietary needs? No Yes

If YES, please list the needs here: _____

Prom Committee Use ONLY:

____ Receipt given

____ Entered in to database:

Date: _____

Initials: _____

NOTES:

GUEST REGISTRATION

(Please PRINT clearly and fill out ALL sections of this form.)

GUEST FIRST NAME: _____ GUEST LAST NAME: _____

CHECK ONE:

- PMW Senior (I attended PROM CERTIFICATION class on ____/____/2023.)
- PMW Student, grade _____
- PMW Alumni, Class of 20____, Age _____
- Non-PMW student, High School Attending: _____, Age _____
 - o Remember to include LETTER from a school administrator. (See example above.)

GUEST OF: _____

HOMEROOM: _____
(if PMW student)

ADDRESS: _____
Street Number and Name

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Prom Attendee Permission Slip **(Must be completed by ALL who attend)**

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- The student must follow appropriate behavior and dress code guidelines for a high school Prom, as stated above.
- The student must follow food and beverage procedures, as outlined above.
- The student must use school provided transportation to and from the Prom (chaperoned charter bus). All students and guests must ride on their assigned bus.
- Students will not be allowed to enter the Prom venue unless they arrive on the school provided transportation. Tickets to enter the Prom will be given on the bus.
- The student must be at Pocono Mountain West High School no later than 3:30pm. Bus boarding will begin at 3:30pm.
- The student will be returning to Pocono Mountain West High School at approximately 11:00pm on Saturday, May 13, 2023. Students are expected to have transportation at the school at this time. Please be prompt.
- Please note: If the student fails to return on the school provided transportation s/he will be subject to disciplinary consequences, which can include suspension and/or exclusion from school sponsored activities.
- All school rules as stated in the student handbook, school district policies and laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania must be followed for the entire evening. This applies to Pocono Mountain West High School students and all guests.

Please list any medical concerns/conditions here. **If none, please write NA.**

Parent/Guardian Signature

Telephone Number

Date

Parent/Guardian PRINTED Name

Emergency Contact Name (PRINT)

Emergency Contact Telephone Number*

Student Signature

Date

***Emergency contact telephone number *must* be different from the first telephone number given.**

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Date

Parent/Guardian PRINTED Name

Emergency Contact Name (PRINT)

Emergency Contact Telephone Number*

Student Signature

Date

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Final Payment (April 3-5)

Name: _____ Homeroom: _____

Amount Paid (Please circle one.): \$250 \$125 \$60

I am paying by (Please circle one.): Cash Check (#_____) Money Order

Please make all checks payable to PMWHS Student Council and place the student and guest's name (if applicable) in the Memo Section. Money and payment slips MUST be handed DIRECTLY to Ms. Paul or Mr. McGovern during the times listed above or they will not be accepted. **Do NOT hand in forms and money to the Main Office.**

First Payment (March 6-10)

Name: _____ Homeroom: _____

Amount Paid (Please circle one.): \$250 \$125 \$65

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