

Dear Students, Parents/Guardians, and Attendees of the Irene-Wakonda Prom:

To ensure a safe, enjoyable, and respectful environment for everyone, the Irene-Wakonda School District enforces a zero-tolerance policy regarding drugs, alcohol, and other illegal substances. These guidelines apply to all high school students and guests attending the prom and are in strict accordance with school rules and applicable laws. Our goal is to promote a positive experience while maintaining the highest standards of safety and responsibility. The school premises, including the prom venue, are designated as a drug-free zone at all times.

Key Rules and Expectations

1. Prohibition of Drugs, Alcohol, and Illegal Substances:

- No attendee may possess, use, distribute, or be under the influence of alcohol, drugs, tobacco products, vaping devices, or any other illegal or controlled substances.
- This includes prescription medications not prescribed to the individual or used inappropriately.
- Violations of this rule are strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated.

2. Breathalyzer Testing:

- Upon arrival at the prom, all students and guests will be asked to submit to a breathalyzer test to ensure no alcohol consumption has occurred.
- Refusal to submit to the initial breathalyzer test will result in denial of entry to the event.
- Follow-up breathalyzer testing may be required at any time during the event if a chaperone, teacher, or administrator observes reasonably suspicious behavior.

3. Searches conducted:

- If there is reasonable suspicion of illegal substance abuse, the individual will be subject to a search of their person and belongings.
- Searches will be conducted by authorized school personnel or law enforcement in a respectful manner, in accordance with legal protocols.
- Refusal to comply with a search will lead to parent/guardian contact and removal from the event, with potential further disciplinary action.

4. Consequences for Violations:

- Any violation of these guidelines will result in immediate removal from the prom and notification of parents/guardians.
- Offenders will be subject to the Irene-Wakonda School District's discipline policy, which may include suspension, expulsion, loss of privileges, or other actions.
- Law enforcement will be involved as necessary, potentially leading to arrests, fines, or other legal consequences under local, state, and federal laws.
- Repeated or severe violations may impact academic records, extracurricular participation, and future school events.

Additional Reminders

- **Drug-Free Zone Commitment:** The entire school premises and prom venue are strictly drug-free zones. This policy is in place to protect the health, safety, and well-being of all attendees. We encourage everyone to make responsible choices and to report any concerns discreetly to a chaperone or administrator.
- **Support and Resources:** If you or someone you know is struggling with substance-related issues, please reach out to a school counselor or trusted adult for confidential support. Resources such as local hotlines and prevention programs are available to help.
- **Agreement to Comply:** By attending the Irene-Wakonda Prom, you agree to abide by these guidelines.

The back outlines the evening's schedule and further behavioral expectations. If you have any questions, please contact the school administration & advisors in advance. Let's work together to ensure a fun and safe prom night!

Sincerely,

Irene-Wakonda School District Administration & Advisors

2026 IRENE-WAKONDA PROM

- 1) To participate in the 2026 Prom, all participants must attend the grand march, banquet, and dance.

5:30 pm Pictures

6:30 pm Grand March(Admission is \$2 per person)

7:15 pm Banquet

8:00-10:00 pm Dance

10:30 After Prom at Thunder Road

- 2) Only formal dress will be allowed at the grand march, banquet, & dance.
- 3) Only sophomores, juniors, seniors, and their dates will be allowed at the grand march, banquet, and dance. Prom dates must be at least a freshman in high school and must not have had their 21st birthday on or before the day of prom.
- 4) A closed-door policy will be in effect 15 minutes after the grand march. Spectators are welcome to take pictures until the doors are closed, and then the banquet and dance will be private for servers, sophomores, juniors, seniors, and their dates.
- 5) Once the Grand March concludes, any prom participant who exits will not be allowed reentry.
- 6) During the grand march, banquet, and dance, students are to conduct themselves in an orderly and respectful manner. Any individual who behaves disorderly or disrespectfully will be asked to leave.
- 7) Decorations are not to be destroyed. If decorations get destroyed, you will be asked to leave.
- 8) All bags containing items that you are changing into for the After Prom will be placed in a designated location, searched, and locked following prom pictures. This designated location will not reopen until the dance concludes. Please ensure that all clothing meets the school dress code.
- 9) No drinks other than water will be allowed. The school will provide the water. All water will be kept in the cafeteria and not allowed in the gym. No outside drinking containers or beverages will be allowed.
- 10) This is a school-sponsored activity, so all school rules, regulations, and disciplinary measures apply.