

William Cullen Bryant High School

“The Relentless Quest for Excellence”

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Dear Senior Class 2020 and Parents/Guardians;

Senior year is an exciting time for both students and parents. While there are many activities planned during the course of the year, the priority of Bryant High School has always been the safety of the students. In order to ensure that the activities that are planned are safe and enjoyable for everyone, the following guidelines have been established; they apply to both current and past students:

1. Any student who has had a Superintendent’s Suspension at ANY point during their time at Bryant High School will be banned from senior activities including, but not limited to the senior trip, senior dinner dance and/or senior prom.
2. Any student who has an extensive disciplinary record during their time at Bryant High School will be banned from senior activities including, but not limited to the senior trip, senior dinner dance and/or senior prom.
3. Any student that has any type of suspension during this school year, will be banned from senior activities including, but not limited to the senior trip, senior dinner dance and/or senior prom.
4. There is zero tolerance for those students who are found to have any illegal substances in their possession or suspected to be under the influence of illegal substances and may be turned over to law enforcement authorities. Any student who is found with illegal substances in their possession or under the influence will be banned from any further activities.
5. There is no refund for any activity after the deadline. You will find the deadlines below:
 - Senior Dues, deadline to pay will be on Oct. 18, 2019.
 - Senior Trip, deadline to pay will be on Dec. 20, 2019.
 - Senior Dinner Dance, deadline to pay will be on March 13, 2020.
 - Senior Prom, deadline to pay will be on May 4, 2020.

We remind you that senior events are **privileges and are reserved for students who have achieved Senior Status**. Our priority is to make sure that the students have met all

requirements for graduation and, in order to do so, the following guidelines have been established:

1. Any student, who has not met the NYS or NYC graduation requirements by June 2020 cannot participate in the June graduation ceremony, even if they are expected to graduate in the summer of 2020. You will find the graduation requirements in the link below: <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/rules-for-students/graduation-requirements>.
2. Any student who fails one or more classes in any of the five marking periods, even if the class is not required for graduation, will not be permitted to participate **in any** senior activity-including, but not limited to the **senior trip and/or senior prom**. If the student is making progress, appropriate documentation is required. Documentation includes: proof of tutoring (after school, Saturday Academy, Sunday Academy) along with a letter from the teacher that progress has been made; both documents are required.
3. It is your responsibility to have at least **90% attendance** in each of your classes. If you are absent, a note from a doctor or your parent/guardian is required explaining the reason for your absence.

**** All banned students will be under review by the office of student life.**

Recommendations

1. As a community, we encourage seniors to participate, facilitate and raise awareness of various community service opportunities. If you would like to become involved, please visit the Bryant Union, room 213 or the Senior Office, room 251.

Senior Dues

If a student does not complete his/her graduation requirements, senior dues will not be refunded, in part or full. However, students can pick up their cap and gown after they complete their graduation requirements.

We have read and understood the above policies regarding senior year activities and senior dues for this school year. Please sign below and return to the senior office in room 251. All seniors must return this letter by **October 18th, 2019**. Students will not be permitted to pay for or attend any activity unless this is signed and returned.

Student Print Name: _____ Parent/Guardian Print Name: _____
Student Signature: _____ Parent/Guardian Signature: _____
Date: _____ Date: _____
Official Class: _____ Telephone Number: _____
Student ID#: _____