



## Pleasant Valley High School Dance Contract



As many people are aware, the culture of dancing has dramatically changed in our society over the past 25 years. Students are increasingly willing to mimic popular dance styles and movements demonstrated in popular media. This shift has affected the behavior of students at school-sponsored dances, resulting in an increase in in-appropriate behavior. To address this change, the students and staff are committed to providing a safe, energetic, healthy, and respectful environment at school dances. It is our intent to encourage and, in some cases, demand, appropriate behavior at all dances. We hope, through a combination of appropriate music, appropriate lighting levels, and appropriate behavior, our students establish a culture of **respect, enthusiasm**, and most, importantly, **POSITIVE ENERGY** at our dances. We want our students to have fun!!

To support our vision of a safe, healthy, and fun environment, we will provide students with the opportunity to attend workshops and dance demonstrations by professional dancers. We intend to provide students with incentives during the dances for showing their positive enthusiasm and demonstrating how much fun a dance can be without the sexual innuendo and lack of respect for individuals. We have donations from local businesses to support this concept, and know our students will benefit from this positive approach.

Every student attending a PVHS dance will be provided with a school-provided wrist band. The wrist band must be worn at all times. If a student violates any of the guidelines listed below, he/she will have his/her wristband removed. If a second violation occurs, the student will be removed from the dance. The student may also face further disciplinary action upon his/her return to school. Please note that all students will abide by the following dance guidelines:

1. All dancing must be face to face, no sandwiching, and no "mosh-pit"-style grouping.
2. Dancing styles that involve intimate touching of the breasts, buttocks, or genitals, or that simulate sexual activity, are not allowed, i.e. "grinding".
3. All dancers must remain upright, no sexual squatting or sexual bending is allowed, i.e., no hands on knees and on the dance floor with your buttocks facing or touching your dance partner (Exception = admin. approved "break-dancing").
4. Due to the expectation that students will behave appropriately, the school dress code will be eased--strapless and haltered tops or gowns will be permitted. However, attire must FULLY cover the body from a reasonable (not plunging) neckline to the hemline. Front torsos between neckline and hemline must not be visible. If a top or dress has a low-cut back, it should not be cut lower than person's natural waistline (where hands normally rest on top of hips). Pants shall not sag below the waistline without a belt or suspenders. No gang-affiliated clothing, including bandanas and belts, will be allowed. Students wearing inappropriate clothing will not be allowed into the dance or will be asked to leave.
5. Students that have outstanding discipline will not be allowed to participate in the dance. Students will be notified AND a list will be posted (id# only) prior to dance ticket sales. It is the responsibility of the student to check this list prior to buying a ticket. No refunds will be given and the student will not be allowed to enter the dance.

By signing this agreement, you, your parents, and school officials have an understanding of what is allowed, and what isn't allowed at our school dances. You have also indicated your intent to abide by these expectations at PVHS dances. If a student is ejected from two dances they will not be allowed to attend any other dances for the remainder of the year, including PROM.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read this contract and agree to abide by all its stipulations. All blanks must be completed for this contract to be valid.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone Numbers #1 \_\_\_\_\_ #2 \_\_\_\_\_  
(Two please)

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_



*Show up with a Smile, Dance like there's no Tomorrow, and go home with priceless Positive Memories!!*