

The Purpose



The purpose of The King's School Sports Banquet is to celebrate annually athletic accomplishments, sportsmanship, character development, and team spirit! It is a chance to dress up, to enjoy friendships, to see our coaches, to eat, to celebrate awards, and to dance together.



Who May Attend?

This year the Sports Banquet is for 9-12th grade students, due to pod separation requirements and space limitations. If not all our 9-12th grade students register to come to the event by the deadline, we may be able to open this event up to our 7-8th graders also. However, we are planning an alternative event for our 7-8th graders, at which they can dress semi-formally, dance, receive awards, and have refreshments. More details will follow after the deadline on May 14th, as to whether 7-8th may join the high school Sports Banquet or have their own event.



COVID Guidelines

- Students arrive and remain masked
 - One designated person handing out awards
 - Shortened event 7-10:00 pm
 - 9th-12th grade King's students only
 - Students keep in proximity to their own pod only
 - Reduced room capacity with outdoor options
- Designated seating and dancing areas for separate pods
 - Avoidance of congregating, socially distanced
 - Photos outside, socially distanced from other units
 - May briefly remove masks for photo shoot with same pod friends or when seated for refreshments
 - Provision of hand sanitizing stations



The Venue

We strive to select a beautiful venue for this event. This year we chose a venue that enables us to spread out and socially distance on the campus. We have selected the lovely rustic dining hall and meadow of Peniel Bible Conference center on Lake Luzerne at 336 Lake Tour Road.

The Attire



The attire is casual or formal dressy. The dresses of the student ladies to attend the event must be approved by the King's School principal. The dress must come to the top of the knee and have a modest neckline.

Student boys may choose to wear shirt and dress pants, suit and ties, or tuxedo to the event.

Personal Devices and Attendance



Students may enjoy each other's company, and use their personal devices; such as phones for photographs or video use. We strongly encourage that they be "present" and "in-person" with those around them.

During the awards ceremony students are expected to pay attention, be an encouragement to their fellow sportsman, and refrain from phone use, except for photographs of award recipients only.

Anytime someone is publicly addressing them, the students are to be in attendance and wait until the speaker is finished to use the restroom.

During the entire event, students are to remain in the communal areas attended by chaperones. The communal areas include the photo booth, the restroom, and the refreshment and dancing areas.

It is the responsibility of the families when and how students are to arrive and to depart from the event.

Students unable to cooperate in the designated areas or maintain respect and good behavior may be asked to leave, and parent or guardian will be contacted.



Partner Dance Numbers



The partner dancing of the evening is especially designed to include as many members of the school community as possible. It is a healthy alternative to the more exclusive teen dance events found elsewhere. It strategically involves any student who desires to participate.

Partner dancing gives all young ladies and young gentlemen the opportunity to try formal ballroom dances.

This year there will be only three same-pod partner dances, due to social distance regulations and the abbreviated length of the event. A sibling may choose to dance with their sibling, even if the sibling is from a different pod. Each student may dance with three

different people. The students will dance the box step, the waltz, and the swing. This is a wonderful experience in preparation for participation in other events, such as weddings or barn dances, where people celebrate by dancing with numerous partners.

If a boy and girl have consented to come to the event as a pair, this year the boy may choose ahead of time which dance he would like with his partner, before the dance cards ritual begins. Mr. and Mrs. Patterson will guide the dances.

Dance Cards

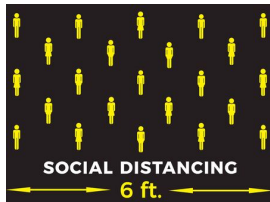
Each participant, who desires to partner dance, signs up for a dance card. We alternate between ladies' choice dance card sign ups and boy's choice dance card sign ups annually. So, this year, 2021, same-pod boys will meet to sign up on all the possible girl participant dance cards.



On the night of the event each young person receives his/her dance card with the names of the three different partners who have signed up to make the event enjoyable.

The young men and young ladies are to carry themselves with respect and manners towards everyone in the community.

Only students who signed up for a dance card may participate in the partner dancing numbers.



Community Dance (line dance format)

Due to COVID restrictions this year, most dances will be organized community dances for those students who want to join in the fun. The dances will be announced and then led by a designated lead dancer, who can model the moves. Such dances as The Cotton-Eyed Joe, The Cupid Shuffle, and the Cumbia name a few of the community dances. Students are to dance 6 feet apart and masked.



Registration Form

Student registration and compliance forms will be sent home Monday, April 19. Payment for the event will be due with the form on or before the May 14th deadline.



Photo Booth Official Photographer

We will provide an official event photographer, who will make portrait shots and candids of the event available to any interested families after the event. This is a special way to capture the memories, especially since the event is not open to parents and guests this year. Prices and more details will follow.

The King's School is happy to host such a wonderful event!