

COLLEGE BALL POLICY STATEMENT

*The following Policy Statement has been provided to
inform parents and students*

*A “**NO REFUND**” policy applies for this event and purchase of a College Ball Ticket is an agreement to comply with the College Ball Policy.

The College Ball is held annually at a venue determined by the Principal. It is a prestigious event. It is not the automatic right of a year group for this function to be held. It is a privilege.

ORGANISATION

Responsibility for the successful organisation of the Ball rests with the Manager of Student Services and Year 12 Leaders. The College Leadership Team will decide the date and day of the College Ball. The availability of a suitable venue will also influence this decision.

INELIGIBILITY

Any student who at the time of the Ball has lost his or her “Good Standing” status (Level 2 or above) is not permitted to attend the Ball as per the College Good Standing Policy. Those who have lost “Good Standing” (Level 2 or above) are unable to buy tickets until “Good Standing” is regained. If you have purchased a ticket and then lose your Good Standing, you will be unable to attend the Ball.

INVITED GUESTS

Members of staff will be invited to attend at a cost determined by the Principal.

Students who intend to invite “out of college” guests must complete a contract sheet. The student, his/her intended guest and the student’s parents must sign this. Each student who intends to invite an “out of college” guest must also organise an interview with their guest and their Mentor. Mentor and Student Services Manager have the final say on the suitability of guests. No student can purchase a ticket for an “out of college” guest until this process is completed. “Out of college” guests are required to adhere to the rules of behaviour set down in this Policy.

BEHAVIOUR

The Ball is the premier social event at Mindarie Senior College. Therefore, a particularly high standard of behaviour is required from those attending. If a student or their guest display inappropriate behaviour at the Ball, both will be

asked to leave the venue immediately. Parents will be notified and no refunds will apply. The student and guest (or their parents) will incur the cost of being sent home.

The following rules will be strictly enforced **and it is essential that students bringing outside guests to the Ball make their guests aware of the following rules:**

1. The possession or use of alcohol or any controlled substance at or before the function will result in the offender being removed from the premises and being sent home. A parent/guardian will be required to collect them and assume duty of care.
2. Smoking of any type is not permitted (also includes vaping). A breach of this rule may result in an offender being removed from the venue, sent home and followed up with a College based behaviour management process.
3. Standards of dress and personal behaviour are expected to reflect the formal nature of the occasion.
4. Students and guests must obey the reasonable instructions of staff and persons employed by the venue.
5. **Students will not be permitted to leave the venue until the end of the function unless a prior arrangement has been made in writing and the nominated person collects the student.** Students or guests who leave the venue without permission will not be re-admitted.
6. Upon purchase of tickets, students agree to any health guidelines or restrictions that are in effect at the time of the Ball.
7. Once the students have left the venue, the College’s duty of care towards them ceases. No responsibility whatsoever can be undertaken for students’ behaviour or personal safety once they have left the premises.
8. Offenders who are sent home will **not** have their admission charges refunded. If it is necessary, the students will be returned home by taxi at parent expense.
9. Offenders who are sent home will lose “Good Standing”.