October 24, 2019

Dear Seventh and Eighth Grade Parents/Guardians,

Columbus Academy, Wellington and Columbus School for Girls are each holding a dance for our seventh- and eighth-graders this school year. Dances offered by our three schools are wonderful opportunities for students to interact socially and expand their community. The mutual guidelines and expectations for all parties are listed below. Please share them with your children.

Questions should be directed to Susan M. Carter, Dean of Middle School, at 614-509-2550 or carters@columbusacademy.org.

**Dance Dates for 2019-2020**
- November 8, 2019 Columbus Academy 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- February 28, 2020 Wellington School 7:00-9:00 p.m.
- April 3, 2020 Columbus School for Girls 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Admission charge is $5.00. **Snacks and drinks are for sale throughout the evening.**

**For Parents/Guardians**

Doors open at 7:00 p.m., and the dance ends at 9:00 p.m. Parents/guardians should not leave before they see their child(ren) enter the door of the dance. Children should be picked up promptly at 9:00 p.m.

**For Students**

All students must sign in at the dance admissions table and list the name of their school.

Students of the host school only may bring guests in the same grade if they seek and receive prior permission from their administrator in charge. Guests should arrive with their hosts and sign in at the same time. It is the host student’s responsibility to inform the guest of appropriate dress and behavior policies.

Once students are at the dance, they may not leave the designated area until the dance is finished or until a parent/guardian comes to the door to get them.

Columbus Academy has clear expectations for appropriate behavior. We have confidence in our students, but any disrespect for students, faculty or property is unacceptable and subject to Columbus Academy policies.

Appropriate dress for dances is “nice casual.” All shirts must have sleeves and be long enough to tuck in. All skirts and shorts must be knee-length. Overly revealing clothing is not acceptable. Students will dance in an appropriate manner. Students may be removed from a dance because of displays of affection inappropriate to middle school.

Any student who appears to be under the influence of an illegal or prohibited substance will be removed from the dance. His or her parent/guardian will be called and directed to come to school to get the child. Columbus Academy’s Drug/Alcohol Abuse Policy will be in effect at all school sponsored activities.

Sincerely,

Susan M. Carter, Dean of Middle School