



Aveley Secondary College Ball Policy

STATUS

The Aveley Secondary College Ball is a prestigious event, held annually, at a venue and on a date determined by Senior School personnel and endorsed by the executive team. It is not the automatic right of a student in the Year 12 cohort to attend, it is a privilege for those students who have Good Standing.

ORGANISATION

To minimise disruption to the school, the Ball will usually be scheduled during Term 1 of Year 12.

BALL COMMITTEE

This committee comprises Year 11 members of the student leadership team and other Year 11 students who wish to be involved in the organisation of the Ball. The role of the committee is advisory, and its recommendations must be ratified by the Year 12 Coordinator, and/or Deputy Principal/Executive.

ELIGIBILITY

Year 11 students with Good Standing will receive an invitation to the Ball in Term 4 in the year preceding the Ball. The invitation is conditional on the student maintaining their Good Standing and that full payment and relevant permissions are received by the due date.

Students will be advised of their Good Standing status in Term 4. Students who do not have Good Standing may negotiate a plan to achieve Good Standing before the final invitations are given out in Term 1 of the following year. This plan must be in place before students complete their Year 11 program.

GUESTS

Students who intend to invite guests must have their guest complete the *Guest Approval Form*. Intended guests are restricted to being in Year 11 or above and no older than 20 years at the time of the Ball. The guest and the guest's parents/caregivers must sign the *Conditions of Attendance*. Each guest must provide photo identification and a reference and contact details of a suitable referee. The College has the final decision on approval of guests. A guest ticket cannot be purchased until this process is completed. Guests are required to adhere to the rules of behaviour set down in this policy.



BEHAVIOUR

The Ball is an important social event at Aveley Secondary College. As such, a high standard of behaviour is required from those attending, all the usual College rules and expectations apply. Students whose behaviour at the Ball is considered inappropriate will be asked to leave. Parents will be notified, and refunds will not be provided.

The following rules will be strictly enforced:

1. The possession or use of alcohol, illegal or any controlled substance at or before the function will result in the offender being removed from the premises and being sent home immediately. In addition to exclusion from the Ball, students may be given further consequences in line with the ASC Behaviour Management Policy.
2. Smoking of tobacco and vaping is not permitted in the venue. A disregard for this rule will result in a student being removed from the venue and sent home.
3. Aggressive, intimidating, or anti-social behaviour displayed towards any party or person at the venue will not be tolerated. Any student and/or guest displaying these behaviours will be removed from the premises immediately and parents/caregivers will be notified.
4. Standards of dress and personal behaviour are expected to reflect the formal nature of the occasion. The Dress for the Ball is to be Formal or Cocktail attire.
5. Students must follow all instructions of staff and persons employed by the venue.
6. Students will not be permitted to leave the venue until the stated earliest leave time unless a prior arrangement has been made in writing and the student is collected by the nominated person. Students or guests who leave the venue without permission will not be re-admitted and the nominated person on the permission form will be contacted.
7. Students who become unwell or request to leave must be collected by a parent or person nominated on their permission form. In some instances an on- balance decision may need to be made to use other forms of transport.
8. Duty of care begins when students enter the venue and ceases once students have left the venue. No responsibility whatsoever is undertaken for students' behaviour or personal safety once they have left the venue.
9. Students who do not meet behaviour expectations and who are subsequently sent home will not receive a refund of their ticket price.

MISCELLANEOUS

Cancellation of bookings will not be considered less than 10 days before the advertised date of the function, except in the case of sickness supported by a medical certificate. This policy document will be publicised and be accessible to students. It is the responsibility of students to make themselves aware of the provisions. As in all cases of ASC policy, the Principal reserves the right to make decisions.