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Dear Junior Parent/Guardian:

We are happy to announce this year's Junior Semi-Formal which will be held on the Spirit of Boston on Friday, March 22, 2019 from 7:00 pm -10:00 pm. All attendees should arrive to BHS by 5:00 pm to be checked in before boarding the buses for Rowes Wharf. We know the students are excited about this upcoming event, and we hope you will support us to ensure a successful evening for all involved. Please read this letter carefully as well as the accompanying Junior Semi Contract. In order to ensure a safe and fun night, we ask that you review the contents of the contract carefully with your student.

Junior Semi sales will begin Friday, March 1st and will end on Sunday, March 17th. The price for the Junior Semi dance is \$67.00 per person. Your payment includes bus transportation to and from the event and a dinner cruise on the Spirit of Boston. Please also consider making a donation to the Junior Semi, which helps us support students with financial need. All purchases must be made on-line at www.myschoolbucks.com. The direct link can be found on the BHS website along with the Semi letter and contract documents.

All Junior Semi purchases require a Junior Semi Contract, signed by the student and parent/guardian, and must be turned into Ms. Fagan in Room 285 no later than March 18th. We do not sell tickets at the door.

Please inform the dean's office if your child has any food allergies or other special considerations, such as handicap accessibility, no later than Monday, March 18th.

While only juniors (or the BHS guest of a junior) may make a purchase to attend Junior Semi, juniors may invite one guest - either a BHS student or a student from another high school. The contract requires information about guests and details the responsibility of guests to abide by BHS rules. Only students and guests who have made their Junior Semi purchase in advance and submitted a signed contract by March 18th may attend the dance.

The dinner cruise is a school event; therefore, all school rules of conduct apply. While we deeply hope the dinner cruise will be trouble-free, we want to be sure you and your student understand how infractions are handled. As stated in the contract, any student found to be in the possession of, or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or vaping paraphernalia will be asked to leave the Junior Semi celebration and will be suspended from school and from future school-related activities, including, but not limited to, the Senior Prom. We will use breathalyzers for students suspected to be under the

influence of alcohol, and we will search bags/purses before students board the boat. The Contract requires that you provide a home and cell phone number in case we should need to contact you during the event. In the event of an emergency, we need to know the best number at which to reach you during the evening. Again, we hope that there will be no need to contact you.

The Junior Semi ends at 10:00 pm and buses will return students to BHS around 10:30 pm. Brookline High School is not sponsoring any extra-curricular activities after the Junior Semi. We suggest that all students head home at the end of the event. However, if you are giving permission for your son/daughter to go to someone's home, we strongly suggest that you contact the parent to make sure the student(s) will be supervised. We will not be checking where students report after returning to BHS.

With your help, we look forward to a very successful event. We would like to recognize and thank the PTO for their generous donation which has helped to lower the cost for the class of 2020 students to attend Junior Semi.

Please refer to the accompanying contract to be sure you and your child understand the school's expectations for behavior. We deeply appreciate your support. If you have any questions about the event, please feel free to contact your student's dean Ms. Redding at (617) 713-5038, Ms. Alexander at (617) 713-5037 or Ms. Eio at (617) 713-5267.


Sincerely,



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