

The Ripley Academy and Sixth Form



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Conditions of attendance at Leavers Assembly and the School Prom

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to you in advance of our Year 11 leavers events in 2025.

We are already in the planning stages of our Year 11 Prom as well as our Leavers Assembly and we are really looking forward to celebrating our pupils' achievements with them. These events are a special way for students to mark the end of their time with us and to celebrate all they have accomplished during their time at The Ripley Academy.

To ensure that all students can participate in these memorable occasions, we would like to remind both students and parents/carers of the key behaviour and attendance expectations that must be met for eligibility:

1. Attendance Requirements:

We encourage all students to attend school consistently to ensure they are fully prepared for their GCSE examinations. Students must therefore maintain regular attendance throughout the academic year, including the final weeks of their examinations. Any unexplained or excessive absences may result in exclusion from our leavers events.

2. Behaviour Expectations:

We expect all students to demonstrate positive behaviour both in and out of the classroom. Any serious behaviour incidents, including any ongoing disruptive behaviour that undermines the vital final few months of study of other Year 11 students, will be taken into consideration when determining eligibility for the Prom and Leavers Assembly. Students must maintain a high standard of conduct leading up to and including these events.

3. Academic Performance:

While the Prom and Leavers Assembly are celebratory events, we also expect that students remain focused on their academic work during this final period. Students who are underperforming academically or who are not meeting school expectations regarding coursework completion may also face restrictions on attending these events.

Should there be any concerns regarding a student's eligibility for the Prom or Leavers Assembly, we will make every effort to communicate with parents and carers as soon as possible.

We appreciate your support in reinforcing these expectations with your child to ensure that they meet the necessary requirements to be part of these special occasions.

Our Year 11 students have worked hard throughout their time at The Ripley Academy, and we want to ensure that all students are able to enjoy these final celebrations in a positive and respectful environment.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Head of Year 11, Miss Murfin, in the first instance.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Mrs L Crowder Deputy Headteacher

