



Youth Dance Policies

1. The Quinte Dolphins Swim Team (parents and swimmers) hosts youth dances at the Picton Community Centre both as a public service and as a team fundraiser.
2. **Hours.** The dances run from 7 to 9:30 pm. The doors open at 6:30 for DJ and volunteer staff to set up. The doors open at 7 pm for the youths attending the dance. The dance ends at 9:30 pm. Youths attending the dance are requested to start leaving at the end of the final song. All youth are expected to leave the building by 9:40 pm.
3. **Admittance.** The dances are designed for youth in grades 4 to 9. Youths in higher or lower grades will not be permitted to enter the dance. Parents/guardians of any youth attending the dance are welcome for all or part of the dance.
4. **Refusal to Admit.** The Dolphins Swim Team reserves the right to refuse admittance to any youth who:
 - a) appear or are known to be in grade 3 or lower;
 - b) appear or are known to be in grade 10 or higher;
 - c) appear to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol;
 - d) have been asked to leave a previous Dolphins' dance for inappropriate or unsafe behaviour;
 - e) have been identified by the DJ or staff at other youth dances for acting in an inappropriate or unsafe manner.
5. **Signing In.** In order to attend the dance, youth are required to pay the \$5 entrance fee, sign in (name, name and phone number of the parent or guardian who can be contacted while they are at the dance), and receive a stamp on the hand. Youth are not allowed to enter the dance to determine if friends are in attendance. The only youth allowed past the front table are those who have paid and signed in.
6. **Leaving Policy.** Once the youth has been stamped they are not allowed to leave the building until:
 - a) the end of the dance at 9:30 pm; or
 - b) a parent or guardian comes into the building to pick them up.

7. **Refunds.** Once youth have entered the dance (hand has been stamped) refunds will not be provided.
8. Parents/guardians are to make arrangements for transportation to and from the Picton Community Centre. The Quinte Dolphins Swim Team is not responsible for youth dropped off before 7 pm or picked up after 9:30 pm.
9. **Clean-up.** During the dance volunteers are to clean up water and pop spills as soon as they are noted.
10. Immediately following the last dance (9:30 pm) all volunteers (parents and teens) are to assist with cleaning the community centre by:
 - a) sweeping garbage on the floor;
 - b) mopping any spills on the floor;
 - c) checking the bathrooms.
11. Before leaving, volunteers are to report any problems/damage noted in the facility to the custodian.
12. The Quinte Dolphins Swim Team endeavours to provide a safe and respectful social event for local youth. To achieve this aim youth and volunteers have the following rights and responsibilities.
13. **Youth Rights.** Youth have the right to a safe and respectful atmosphere to gather with friends when attending a dance hosted by the Quinte Dolphins Swim Team.
14. **Youth Responsibilities.** Youth have the following responsibilities when attending a dance hosted by the Quinte Dolphins Swim Team:
 - a) Youth are expected to act in a respectful to all individuals (other youth, volunteer and DJ).
 - b) Youth are not to partake in any unsafe/inappropriate behaviour which includes:
 - i) running, pushing, and fighting;
 - ii) pouring water or other liquids on other individuals or the floor;
 - iii) aerial flips;
 - iv) damaging any property (public or personal) while entering, attending or leaving the dance;
 - v) dialing 911 when an emergency situation does not exist
 - c) Youth are to report any unsafe/inappropriate to a volunteer.

- d) Youth are to place all garbage in the proper receptacles.
15. **Volunteer Rights.** Volunteers have the right to a safe and respectful atmosphere when hosting a youth dance.
16. **Volunteer Responsibilities.** Volunteers have the following responsibilities when hosting a youth dance:
- a) Ensure a safe atmosphere for all individuals by enforcing all rules.
 - b) To call a parent/guardian or police when youth act in an unsafe or inappropriate manner after having been warned.