

Cypress Ridge H. S. Rams after Prom (RAP) 2012

Freshman Parent Newsletter August 2008

A warm welcome to our freshman students and parents! The next four years are going to be an exciting time. Probably the last thing on your minds is prom night; however our planning is starting now! If we all put a small effort in each year, by the time senior prom comes we will have everything in place for the big night. Please read through our newsletter to learn of the efforts that we are going to make to ensure the Class of 2012 has a very special event after prom!

About Rams after Prom

What exactly is Rams after Prom (RAP 2012)?

A standing tradition that the students look forward to senior year is the after prom party. It is a drug and alcohol free lock-in which takes place immediately following Prom. This is a free, fun-filled evening for all seniors and their guests weather they attend the prom or not. The only cost to the students is the purchase of the after prom T-shirt which acts as their admission ticket into the event. **We, the 2012 parents, provide this all night party.** It requires organization, planning, time, money and parental participation in order for it to be a success.

Always keep in mind that Rams after Prom is a gift to graduating seniors given by senior parents, not the school or school district. The cost for each student is approximately \$40-\$50. This is not including all of the wonderful prizes given away at the event!

If each family donated only \$10 each year, the event would be funded without any other fundraising efforts!!!

How is Rams after Prom funded?

Through fundraising and donations from our parents and community. Fundraising and donations are vital to the success of Rams after Prom. We are a non-profit 501C3 organization, and begin our venture with no money. We need to raise a sizeable amount of money to cover the use of the venue, gifts, games, prizes, food and other incidentals. This is why we are beginning freshman year. The bulk of our activities will be during senior year, however the more effort that we put in until senior year, the less that we will have to accomplish during senior year, which already has so many activities going on that require our time and money.

How can I help?

Your involvement is extremely important. There are many ways parent can help and no job is too small.

Below are some ways that you can help support RAP 2012:

- **Come to our meetings (meeting schedule attached)**
- **Become one of our Board or Committee members**
- **Make a Busy Parent donation each year (form attached)**
- **Participate in our fundraisers**
- **Bring your ideas / Volunteer when you can**

*****Note: Each time you participate in any RAP 2012 event, meeting, fundraiser or donation your child will receive an additional prize ticket to be used at the after prom to increase their chances of winning the fabulous prizes given away at the event!!**

Schedule of Fundraisers for Class of 2012 (Freshmen year)

Busy Parent Fundraiser

Requested donation this year is \$10.00 per freshmen
(Additional amounts are welcomed!)

Class of 2012 T-shirts

Order forms will be available at Ram Express and are also attached.
The cost of each shirt is only \$10 (for students and parents).
They will be delivered to the students during lunches in September.

Inkjet cartridges/Cell Phones/ mp3/digital cameras/DVD's Recycling Fundraiser

Save all those empty print cartridges from work & home. They are the ones that are around the size of your hand (some a bit smaller and/or bigger). You can bring them to the meetings, or contact us for a pick-up. We will mail them in once every couple of months.

If you would like a recycle box for your office or workplace, please let us know!

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Set this as your homepage and for each search Class of 2012 will received a penny! Believe it or not this adds up quickly! Also, if you shop online from this page we will get a certain percentage of your purchases.
Be sure that you enter **Cy-Ridge Rams after Prom 2012** as your charity of choice.

Additional Information

Meeting schedule for 2008-2009:

September 9 th	7pm Cy-Ridge H.S.
January 13 th	7pm Cy-Ridge H.S.
May 12 th	7pm Cy-Ridge H.S.

September 9th meeting we will elect board members.
Meetings usually end before 8pm.

**For any information/questions regarding RAP 2012 please contact
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**PLEASE BE SURE THAT ANY DONATIONS/CORROSPONECE FOR RAP
2012 SAYS "RAP 2012" AS THERE ARE 4 CLASSES WORKING TOWARD EACH OF THEIR
AFTER PROM EVENTS!!**