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Dear Parent/Caregiver

As the second semester gets underway, the last for your son/daughter at high school, I would like to remind you of important information to ensure a happy and stress free completion of Year 12.

Attendance at the prom is a highlight for many Year12s. Student participation in this event is by invitation only and at the start of the school year it was outlined to students what was required in order to receive an invitation. Students are expected to demonstrate high standards of behaviour, have an excellent record of attendance (90% or higher) and to be making a concerted and consistent effort to achieve a QCE. It is important that students remind themselves of these requirements and are working towards the achievement of them. If it is likely that your student may not meet these requirements, I encourage you to discuss this with your student and the school sooner rather than later.

In addition, the following tasks must be finalised:

1. All moneys owing to the school from this year and from previous years - school fees, trips and so forth - must be paid in full by the end of Term 3. If this presents a problem, students need to make an appointment to see the Principal, Mr Robertson, as soon as possible in order to discuss the situation.
2. All items on loan from the school, including laptops, must be returned to Mrs Spratling or to the Resource Centre (Library). It should be possible to do so one week or earlier before students leave school, unless an item is still being used for assessment.
3. If your son/daughter has items outstanding from **before** this semester, they should return them immediately or see Mrs Spratling and explain their situation. Even if they think a teacher has the text, or it has been stolen, if the item appears in their name, it is their responsibility. The problem will not solve itself and they need to negotiate how they are planning to pay for it or find it. These situations need to be satisfactorily resolved this term. I'm sure you can understand if we allowed every student who has not returned a borrowed item to remain unaccountable, we would no longer be able to run this scheme which helps to significantly reduce the costs of schooling for all parents.
4. Students are also required to ensure unexplained absences are finalised. This may be as simple as a phone call from a parent/caregiver or bringing a note to explain an absence. We understand that this is sometimes overlooked, but the school needs to receive notification re student absences.
5. Students must complete all assessment tasks for each of their subjects. Sometimes, a minority of students stop working toward the end of Year 12. Not completing even one assessment task means the student has not completed Year 12. The prom is a privilege for those who have completed the entire course of study.

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6. With regard to all of the above, students are urged to begin thinking about their responsibilities NOW and to begin fixing problems NOW. To avoid disappointment, please, don't leave it all until the last minute.
7. In addition, students must understand that behaviour management records will influence whether or not they receive an invitation to the prom. The evening is a formal one and there are expectations of very high standards of behaviour. If a student has persistently or significantly shown disrespect to teachers, support staff and/or fellow students, then they will not be invited. Such students would obviously find it difficult to behave appropriately and it is not sensible to risk allowing them an opportunity to spoil this very special occasion for others.
8. Below is reprinted the pledge that was devised by this year's students and solemnly read at the Badge Ceremony. It is a great time for students to refresh themselves with the pledge they took when receiving their Senior Badge.

If you have any concerns about the information above, please do not hesitate to make contact with the school. The Senior Prom will be a great opportunity for students to celebrate 12 years of schooling and I hope we can work together to ensure that this is an occasion for the whole family to remember. The vast majority of our students in Year 12 are wonderful young people, who we are sure, will enjoy their special night as they say goodbye and look forward to the future.

Kindest regards

Mr Ross Robertson

Miss Robyn Kent

Mrs Judy Thrupp

Principal

Deputy Principal

YLC Year 12

The Pledge 2017 -

As a year 12 North Bundaberg State High School student, receiving my school senior badge for 2017, I take this pledge:

- *I will follow the school's expected dress code and wear the school uniform with pride.*
- *I will make a positive difference to younger students and my peers.*
- *I will be my best possible self in and out of the classroom.*
- *I will be proud of my school and represent it with honour.*
- *I will strive to attend every day.*
- *I will be honest, take responsibility, and respect all students and staff.*
- *I will strive to be kind, have fun and make this the best year possible.*
- *I will never give up on my goals.*