

April 23, 2019

Dear Students,

Over the past several months, my administration has been working closely with Syracuse University to organize Mayfest, a student celebration which serves to welcome the end of the academic year. This event will take place on Friday, April 26th from 1-6 PM with admittance to the park ending at 5:30 PM. We have worked together to provide Walnut Park as a venue for this event and arranged for the Syracuse Police Department to close the surrounding streets.

As a Syracuse University alumna, I value the time and effort that students have put into planning this event; however, it is important the safety of students and their neighbors remains. As Mayor, I have instructed the Syracuse Police Department during Mayfest to strictly enforce the city ordinances, including those prohibiting open containers, excessive noise, littering and all the other city regulations communicated to you throughout your academic career by Syracuse University.

I understand the importance this event holds for students, but it is equally important that neighbors in the University area are treated with respect and consideration. Anything less is unacceptable and anyone, including students, violating city ordinances will be held responsible for their actions.

If you have any questions regarding City of Syracuse ordinances, please contact the Office of Student Living at Syracuse University at (315) 443-5489 or at offcampus@syr.edu. You are also welcome to contact my office at anytime at (315) 448-8005 or at mayor@syr.gov.net.

Sincerely,

Ben Walsh
Mayor