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## Students of Legal Age

Every student 18 years of age or older will be deemed to be an adult and will have legal capacity to act as such. Such students, like all other students, will comply with the rules established by the District, pursue the prescribed course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers and others staff members as required by policy and state law.

**Admission to School:** The residency location of a student of legal age, 18 years, who is not residing with his/her parent(s) or legal guardian, will be considered their residency for school purposes.

**Field Trips/Athletic Programs:** Approved forms for participation will be required of all students. The form should indicate that the signature is that of the parent or the adult student. Sponsors or coaches will be required to confirm the ages of those students signing their own forms.

**Absence-Lateness-Truancy:** Absence notes, normally signed by parents or guardians, may be signed by students who are of legal age. Excessive absences will be reported on the regular report card.

**Suspension/Expulsion:** All suspension and/or expulsion proceedings will conform to the requirements of state statutes. Notification of all such proceedings will be sent to parents or guardians. Adult students, however, are permitted to represent themselves if they so choose.

**Withdrawal from School:** Students of legal age may withdraw from school under their own cognizance. Counselors will guide and counsel potential dropouts and encourage their continued attendance. Parents will be notified of impending dropouts by the school.

**Permission to Inspect Student Records:** Students of legal age may request permission to inspect their school records if they are eligible students according to FERPA.

**Report Cards:** Failure letters and progress reports will continue to be sent to the parent or legal guardian.

**Rights and Responsibilities:** The regulations pertaining to residence requirements will pertain to students of legal age.

**Excuses from School:** The school will verify requests from students who wish to leave school early for reasons such as job interviews, college visits, driver testing, etc., with the organization being visited. Permission to leave school early may be denied for what is considered a non-valid reason.

**Financial Responsibility:** Students of legal age can be held financially responsible for damage to school property.

**Policy History:** 

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