

Wm. S. Hart UHS District

Board Policy

Students

BP 5112.5

OPEN/CLOSED CAMPUS

Junior/Senior OPTION 1: Open Campus (Only High Schools)

~~The Governing Board establishes a closed campus at all District schools; however, juniors and seniors who meet eligibility requirements may use lunch passes to leave campus during the lunch hour. The Board views this program as a way to improve and reward student behavior and attendance. Eligibility requirements are based upon behavior and attendance standards. The open campus privilege may be revoked for juniors and seniors who do not meet the eligibility standards.~~

In order to give students an opportunity to demonstrate responsibility, independent judgment, and positive citizenship, the Governing Board establishes an open campus at all District high schools in which 11th and 12th grade students shall have the privilege of leaving campus during lunch.

The principal or designee shall ensure that students granted this privilege meet any eligibility requirements established by the District.

The District shall send written notification to parents/guardians about the open campus policy at the beginning of the school year along with the parental notification required by Education Code 48980. Such notification shall include the language prescribed by Education Code 44808.5.

Students shall not leave the school grounds at any other time during the school day without ~~written~~ ***express*** permission of ~~their parents/guardians and~~ school authorities. Students who leave school ~~or who fail to return following lunch~~ without authorization shall be ~~classified truant~~ ***considered to have an unexcused absence*** and ~~be~~ subject to disciplinary action.

(cf. [5112.1](#) - Exemptions from Attendance)

(cf. [5113](#) - Absences and Excuses)

(cf. [5113.1](#) - Chronic Absence and Truancy)

(cf. [5113.11](#) - Attendance Supervision)

(cf. [5113.12](#) - District School Attendance Review Board)

The principal or designee may revoke the open campus privilege for individual students for disciplinary reasons.

(cf. [5144](#) - Discipline)

OPTION 2: Closed Campus (Only Junior High Schools)

In order to keep students in a supervised, safe, and orderly environment, the Governing Board establishes a closed campus at all District schools.

Students shall not leave school grounds at any time during the school day without express permission of school authorities. Students who leave school without authorization shall be considered to have an unexcused absence and be subject to disciplinary action.

(cf. [5112.1](#) - Exemptions from Attendance)

(cf. [5113](#) - Absences and Excuses)

(cf. [5113.1](#) - Chronic Absence and Truancy)

(cf. [5113.11](#) - Attendance Supervision)

(cf. [5113.12](#) - District School Attendance Review Board)

Student handbooks shall fully explain all rules and disciplinary procedures involved in the maintenance of the closed campus.

(cf. [5144](#) - Discipline)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

35160 Authority of the Board

35160.1 Broad authority of school District

44808.5 Permission for pupils to leave school grounds; notice