Santa Barbara Unified School District
Board Policy

Students

OPEN/CLOSED CAMPUS

In order to give students an opportunity to demonstrate responsibility, independent judgment, and positive citizenship, the Governing Board establishes an open campus in which students shall have the privilege of leaving campus during lunch according to the following regulations:

- Dos Pueblos: Junior and seniors only with parent permission
- San Marcos: Junior and seniors only with parent permission
- Santa Barbara: All grades

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.

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

Students shall not leave school grounds at any other 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)

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

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE
35160 Authority of the board
35160.1 Broad authority of school district
44808.5 Permission for students to leave school grounds; notice
48980 Annual notification to parents/guardians

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