## Students

## **OPEN/CLOSED CAMPUSES**

## **Closed Campuses**

In order to keep our students in a supervised, safe, and orderly environment, the Governing Board establishes a "closed campus" at all of the District comprehensive schools. Once students arrive at school, they must remain on campus until the end of their school day unless they have brought written authorization from their parents/guardians and received permission from school authorities to leave for a specific purpose. Students who leave campus without such authorization shall be classified as truant and subject to disciplinary action. The requirement to keep students on campus is part of the Board's efforts to maintain a safe school climate and to reduce afternoon absenteeism.

(cf. 5112 - Absences and Excuses) (cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)

Each school principal shall design a system of identification and passes appropriate for use at each closed campus school. The school staff shall enforce mechanisms whereby all students may be accounted for at all times during the school day. Whenever students are unaccounted for, parents/guardians shall be informed.

(cf. 5112 - Absences and Excuses)

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

## (cf. 5112 - Absences and Excuses)

The District, Board members, and district employees shall not be liable for the conduct and safety of students who leave school grounds during the lunch period. (Education Code 44808.5)

Legal Reference: <u>EDUCATION CODE</u> 44808.5 Permission for pupils to leave school grounds; notice

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