Open/Closed Campus

Closed Campus

As authorized by Education Code 44808.5, the Governing Board establishes an "open campus" at district high schools. By allowing our students to leave campus during the lunch period, the Board entrusts them with an opportunity to learn responsibility and demonstrate good citizenship. Students shall not leave the school grounds at any other time during the school day without written authorization of their parents/guardians and permission of school authorities. Students who leave school without such authorization shall be classified as truant and subject to disciplinary action.

(cf. 5113 - 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)

The Board shall notify parents/guardians at the beginning of the school term of their decision to establish an open campus. The following notice shall be sent as provided by Education Code 44808.5:

"The Governing Board of the Corcoran School District, pursuant to Section 44808.5 of the Education Code, has decided to permit the pupils enrolled at Corcoran High School to leave the school grounds during the lunch period.

"Section 44808.5 of the Education Code further states:

'Neither the School District nor any officer or employee thereof shall be liable for the conduct or safety of any pupil during such time as the pupil has left the school grounds pursuant to this section.'"

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

The privilege of open campus may be revoked from individual students for disciplinary reasons or because of failure to maintain academic eligibility for extracurricular activities.

Legal References:

EDUCATION CODE 44808.5 Permission for pupils to leave school grounds; notice