



Chico Unified School District

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Board Policy: #5112.5

Section: 5000

Students

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OPEN CAMPUS

In order to give students an opportunity to demonstrate responsibility, independent judgment, and positive citizenship, the Governing Board may establish an open campus at district high schools, allowing students to 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.

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

The district, Board of Education 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) Students are expected to abide by school rules while off campus during lunch and violations will result in appropriate disciplinary action (Education Code 48900(R)(3)).

Students shall not leave the 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 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