Students BP 5112.5(a)

## **OPEN/CLOSED CAMPUS**

## **Closed Campus**

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In order to keep our high school students in a supervised, safe, and orderly environment, the Governing Board establishes a "closed campus" at all District high schools. Once students arrive at school they must remain on campus until the end of the 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 Board finds that school facilities and resources are adequate to serve the lunchtime needs of all of our students. The Board further perceives that a closed campus benefits students by encouraging them to participate in school activities, rather than following other pursuits which may not be in their best interests. 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.

The administration shall provide educational, recreational, organizational, and social opportunities for students during the lunch period. Students who have finished eating shall always have a quiet place to read or study.

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

**Policy Reference Disclaimer**: These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State References Ed. Code 35160 Ed. Code 35160.1 Ed. Code 44808.5 Ed. Code 48980	Description Authority of governing boards Broad authority of school districts Permission for students to leave school grounds; notice Annual notification to parents/guardians
Cross References	Description
0450	Comprehensive Safety Plan
3515	Campus Security
5112.1	Exemptions From Attendance
5113	Absences And Excuses
5113.1	Chronic Absence And Truancy
5113.11	Attendance Supervision
5113.12	District School Attendance Review Board
5131	Conduct
5144	Discipline
5144.1	Suspension And Expulsion/Due Process

Parental Notifications

## OPEN/CLOSED CAMPUS (continued)

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