

## **Missoula County Public Schools**

### **STUDENTS**

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#### Students of Legal Age

Every student eighteen (18) years of age or older will be deemed to be an adult and will have legal capacity to act as such. Such students, like all other students, will comply with the rules established by the District, pursue the prescribed course of study, and submit to the authority of teachers and other staff members as required by policy and state law.

#### Admission to School

The residence of an adult student who is not residing with a parent or guardian will be considered the residence for school purposes.

#### Field Trips/Athletic Programs

Approved forms for participation will be required of all students. The form should indicate that the signature is that of the parent or the adult student. Sponsors or coaches will be required to confirm the ages of those students signing their own forms.

#### Absence/Lateness/Truancy

Excessive absences will result in consequences according to policy 3122P and will be reported on the report card.

#### Dependent Students

Parents or guardians of adult students may be entitled to education records for an adult student who is a dependent for tax purposes.

#### Suspension/Expulsion

All suspension and/or expulsion proceedings will conform to the requirements of state statutes. Adult students are permitted to represent themselves if they so choose.

#### Withdrawal from School

Adult students may withdraw from school under their own cognizance. Counselors will guide and counsel potential dropouts and encourage their continued attendance.

### Permission to Inspect Student Records

Adult students may request permission to inspect their school records.

### Report Cards

Progress reports will be sent to the adult student and, unless instructed otherwise by the adult student, to the parent or legal guardian.

### Excuses from School

The school will verify requests from students who wish to leave school early for reasons such as job interviews, college visits, driver testing, etc., with the organization being visited. Permission to leave school early may be denied for what is considered a non-valid reason.

### Financial Responsibility

Students of legal age can be held financially responsible for damage to school property.

### Policy History:

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