

FREEPORT HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR OPEN CAMPUS PRIVILEGE REGULATIONS

Guidelines

Seniors may leave school grounds if they have study halls during the following time periods or during lunch:

-Lunch and study hall can be combined. For example, if the senior has a period 3/4 study they may sign out for that period including the lunch (period 5). They must sign back prior to period 6.

If a student has a study hall period 6/7 they may sign out at lunch (period 5) and must sign in prior to period 8/9.

Eligibility Guidelines

1. Only seniors are eligible for open-campus. Student must have achieved Responsible Student Privileges (RSP) Status for the previous quarter (to be re-evaluated each quarter) and a good discipline record.
2. The student must agree to and obtain parent/guardian permission via the signed legal document attached here, releasing the RSU5 from responsibility for the student's well-being while exercising the privilege. This must also be confirmed by a phone call made to the office by the signing parent or legal guardian.
3. Before the school year begins, all seniors will be reviewed for eligibility. To be eligible for the first quarter of their senior year, students must have met the academic standard fourth quarter of their junior year.
4. Proof of license, car registration, and insurance must be seen and a record of this must be kept in the office in order for seniors to use their own transportation.

Reasons for the Privilege Being Revoked

1. There will be a sign-out/sign-in sheet located in the main office. Students must **personally sign-out** when leaving school premises and **personally sign-in** immediately upon their return to school grounds. (Loitering in the halls, parking lot, or other areas of the school is prohibited.) Failure to sign-in or sign-out will result in a loss of privilege for up to 4 weeks.
2. Failure to comply with attendance policy, including tardies, may result in a loss of privilege for up to 4 weeks.
3. Any eligible student who skips a class will have the privilege revoked for a minimum of 4 weeks or until the end of the quarter, whichever is greater.

4. The privilege will be immediately revoked for any student who does not maintain eligibility guidelines and reinstated once the student regains eligibility **and** administrative approval.
5. If a student is in violation of the Freeport High School Code of Conduct or RSU5 policies referencing tobacco, drug and alcohol use on school grounds; bullying and harassment; and/or weapons, violence and school safety, his/her privilege will be revoked for the remainder of the school year.
6. Any student convicted of a moving violation during his/her leave will have his/her privilege suspended for the remainder of the year.
7. Any senior who transports underclassmen or ineligible seniors will have his/her privilege revoked up to 6 weeks or the end of the quarter, whichever is greater.
8. Any student who has dropped a class after the designated add/drop period in order to add a study hall to his/her schedule will become ineligible.
9. All seniors must be present for school activities, including class, school and activity meetings and special guest speakers, when they are not in class or in study hall.

Legal Reference:

Cross Reference: JHCA – Open/Closed Campus

Adopted: April 28, 1997

Adopted as Administrative Procedure: January 28, 2014

FREEPORT HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR OPEN CAMPUS PERMISSION FORM

Parent/Guardian Permission and Student Acknowledgment for Transportation via private vehicle during school hours in accordance with the attached senior open campus regulations.

(PARENT/GUARDIAN) I give my permission for my son/daughter to travel to and from Freeport High School by means of private vehicle transportation and understand explicitly that this transportation permission applies to times during which my son/daughter would ordinarily be in school. I acknowledge receipt of this policy and the attached “Senior Privilege” regulations. I acknowledge an understanding of the complete terms of each document.

(PARENT/GUARDIAN) I understand explicitly, in providing permission for my eligible son/daughter to participate in the “Senior Privilege” regulation as attached, that RSU5, its officers, agents and employees are unable to provide supervision of my son/daughter while he/she is exercising such privileges. I extend my permission for my son/daughter to participate in the “Senior Privilege” program nonetheless.

(PARENT/GUARDIAN) My permission for private vehicle transportation includes: 1) my son/daughter as the driver of a car owned by me or our son/daughter; 2) my son/daughter as a passenger in a vehicle driven by another student driver eligible to participate in this program, or by me, or by the parent of another senior eligible to participate in this program.

(STUDENT) I acknowledge as a condition of this permission, that I agree to abide by the school’s rules of behavior and conduct during and while en route to and from Freeport High School while I am exercising the privileges contained in the “Senior Privilege Regulation” document. I acknowledge that I understand all of these rules of behavior and conduct.

(PARENT/GUARDIAN) I confirm that I have discussed the contents of this document with my son/daughter; I acknowledge that I will report to the school administration any violations of school rules, infractions of motor vehicle laws or careless driving which are known by me or have occurred by my son/daughter in his/her exercising of the senior privilege.

(STUDENT) I acknowledge the great importance that the Freeport High School places on driver safety, particularly while I am en route as a driver or passenger to and from Freeport High School. I drive my private vehicle to and from Freeport High School in exercising the senior privilege, I confirm that I am a properly licensed driver and that I am thoroughly familiar with and will abide by the motor vehicle laws and regulations of the State of Maine.

(PARENT/GUARDIAN) In giving my permission for my son/daughter to participate in the “Senior Privilege” program, I fully understand that RSU5, its officers, agents, and employees will not be liable for any injury, harm or damage to my son/daughter’s person or property occurring during or arising out of such transportation: I waive, and agree to hold RSU5, its officers, agents, and employees harmless from any claim arising out of such transportation, including any claims that RSU5, its officers, agents, or employees, were negligent in permitting the transportation to which I have given my permission above.

(STUDENT) I fully understand that RSU5, its officers, agents, and employees will not be liable for any injury, harm, or damage to my person or property occurring during or arising out of such transportation as I may use in exercising my privileges under the “Senior Privilege” guidelines; I waive, and agree to hold RSU5, its officers, agents, and employees harmless from any claim arising out of such transportation, including any liability for any injury, harm or damage to my person or property occurring or arising out of such transportation, including any claims that RSU5, its officers, agents, or employees was negligent in permitting the transportation to which my parent/guardian has given permission above.

I understand that my signature below applies until the end of this school year ONLY and that I may revoke such a waiver in writing to the high school principal at any time.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Student

Parent/Guardian (please print)

Student (please print)

Date

Date