

Lower Merion School District

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Purpose

The Board affirms that while Pennsylvania law requires attendance of only students of compulsory school age, it is in the best interests of both students and the community that students complete the educational program that will equip them with useful skills and increase their chances for a successful and fulfilling life beyond school.

Definition

Withdrawal from school shall mean the cessation of formal education prior to a student's graduation.

Authority

The Board directs that whenever a student wishes to withdraw from school, efforts should be made to determine the underlying reason for such action, including assisting the student in reaching their career goals.

Students who have previously withdrawn from school may apply for re-admission provided they satisfy all enrollment requirement required by Board Policy and applicable law.

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent shall develop procedures to govern a student's withdrawal from school pursuant to applicable law and which shall provide for the following:

- A. Make guidance counseling services available to students who wish to withdraw from school and to students who wish to re-enroll.
- B. Inform the student of the tests for General Education Development and other alternative educational opportunities.
- C. Assure the timely return of all school district owned supplies and equipment in the possession of the withdrawing student.
- D. Inform the students of their right to a public school education until graduation or the age of 21.

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Legal References:

School Code §§1326, 1327, 1330 (1) (2)
PA Code (Title 22) §11.4