

**SPAULDING HIGH SCHOOL UNION
DISTRICT #41 - POLICY MANUAL****CODE: F18****1ST READING: 11/02/2015****2ND READING: 12/07/2015****ADOPTED:**

EIGHTEEN YEAR-OLD STUDENTS**Policy**

It is the policy of the Spaulding High School Union District #41 that eighteen year-old students are subject to all school policies, rules and standards.

Except as provided in this policy, report cards, discipline reports and other communications from the school will be provided to responsible parents or guardians of all students regardless of the age of those students.

Permission

Permission slips for participation in field trips or other school activities may be signed by 18 year-old students. Eighteen year-old students may sign their own absence and late notes, but parents will be notified of absences and tardy incidents for their 18 year-old children on the same basis as other students, unless communications from the school are limited to the student only in accord with this policy.

Communications with Parents/Guardians

Students who are 18 years-old or older may request, in a manner designated by the superintendent that communications to their parents or guardians be provided to them as well. The school will comply with these requests.

Students who are 18 years-old or older may request, in a manner designated by the superintendent that all communications from the school be made to them and not to their parents. These requests will be granted by the superintendent or his or her designee only when the student's responsible parents or guardians agree in writing, or when the student shows that he or she is not a dependent student as defined in section 152 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

The maintenance and distribution of documents defined by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 as student records will be governed by that Act and the regulations promulgated pursuant to that Act.

The superintendent or his or her designee shall develop procedures where necessary to implement this policy.

*Legal Reference(s):**20 U.S.C. §§1232f-1232j (Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act of 1974)**34 C.F.R. Part 99**15 V.S.A. §670 (Access to records by divorced parents)**Cross Reference:**Student Records (F5)*