Lower Merion School District

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

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Section: STUDENTS
Title: CAMPUS PRIVILEGS
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Board Policy 243 authorizes eligible secondary students to be granted increased opportunities to develop self-discipline by choosing how to use their non-instructional time, as long as such use does not interfere with the operation of the school. The purpose of this regulation is to provide a framework for such opportunities.

1. Introduction

As students progress through high school, they should be granted increased opportunities to develop self-discipline by choosing how to use their non-instructional time, as long as such use does not interfere with the operation of the school. "Non-instructional time" refers to time when a student is not scheduled for a class but may be assigned to a study hall. The Campus Privilege Program allows qualified students to select alternatives to study hall assignment for their noninstructional time on a graduated basis.

The Principal shall designate areas of the campus for use by students during their noninstructional time and shall establish appropriate procedures for managing the Campus Privilege Program and for supervising student conduct.

All students are required to be scheduled for 5.25 – 6.25 credits for the year.

2. Eligibility

Before being permitted to participate in the Campus Privilege Program and to remain eligible for it:

- a. Students must obtain the written consent of their parents or guardians when they are initially eligible for the program (see Attachment A);
- b. Must achieve and maintain quarterly, an academic record with no grade below a "C" and no failure in a pass/fail course;
- c. For courses using quarter less grading, students must have no grades lower than a "C" for the quarter end cutoff date as recorded on the report card (this includes courses that utilize quarterless grading);
- d. Must meet responsibilities of regular classroom attendance; and,
- e. Must conform to school rules and regulations, including any restrictions specified in this policy for their grade level.

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Eligibility for any and all students to participate in the Program may be withdrawn by the school administration in order to protect the safety and welfare of students when conditions are judged to warrant such withdrawal.

- **Ninth grade students** are not eligible for the program and are required to remain on campus for all non-instructional time, including lunch.
- Tenth grade students become eligible for the program after the first semester for no more than two periods per cycle and are required to remain on campus for all noninstructional time, including lunch.
- **Eleventh and Twelfth grade students** are eligible for the program in the first quarter and are required to remain on campus for all non-instructional time, including lunch.

Second semester Sophomores, and Juniors, and Seniors with unassigned time at the beginning of the day (1A, 4B, 3C, 2D) may come in at their first scheduled class after signing in at their school's attendance office.

Second semester Sophomores, and Juniors, and Seniors with unassigned time at the end of school day (7A, 6B, 5C, 8D) may leave campus following their last scheduled class. Students must sign out in their school's attendance office.

3. Designated Areas

Students who qualify for the Campus Privilege program will have access on to locations designated by their school's administration during their non-instructional time. Such areas may include the library, courtyard, etc., and shall be designated in the Student Handbook.

4. Unauthorized Area(s), Leaving Campus

Students who go to unauthorized areas or leave campus (except as otherwise permitted under this program) will be referred to the appropriate Administrator who will assign appropriate consequences as set forth in the Student Handbook.