

SALEM SCHOOL SYSTEM
Salem, Connecticut

STUDENTS

RELATIONS WITH NON-CUSTODIAL PARENTS

The Salem Board of Education, unless informed otherwise, assumes that there are no restrictions regarding the non-custodial parent's right to be kept informed of the student's school progress and activities. If restrictions are made relative to these rights, the custodial parent will be required to submit a certified copy of the court order, to the Superintendent, which curtails these specific rights.

Upon written request to their child's school principal, the school will subsequently and routinely mail to that parent copies of all school information which is normally sent home with the child. This will include mailings of copies of report cards, and class and school newsletters during the school year in which the request is made. Non-custodial parents and parents with shared custody not normally receiving materials from the school may annually request this service.

Parents, restricted by court order, will not be given access to school information regarding their child. Challenges to a parent's access to information will be referred to and investigated by the Superintendent. Individuals initiating challenges must provide documentation regarding court orders prohibiting access to information.

(cf. 5113.2 – Attendance and Excuses)
(cf. 5118 – Nonresident Students)
(cf. 5124 – Reporting to Parents)
(cf. 5125/5125.1 – Student Records/Confidentiality)
(cf. 5142.2 – Student Dismissal Precautions)

Legal references: Connecticut General Statutes: 10-15b Access of parent or guardian to student's records. 46b-56 Access of records of minor children by non-custodial parent. Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974. Department of Education 34 C.F.R. Part 99 (May 9, 1980 45FR 30802) regs. Implementing. FERPA enacted as part of 438 of General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1232g) – parent and student privacy and other rights with respect to educational records.

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