

Senior Conduct Policy

Philosophy:

The Senior Conduct policy exists to reinforce the mission statement of West Park High School: We Value People and We Love to Learn. The primary emphasis is placed on the ability of students to exercise self-discipline and the qualities of an expert learner. Ideally, this results in constructive school decisions that are intrinsically motivated, strategic, emotionally resilient and goal-oriented. At West Park High School, we support the growth of students toward these ideals which lead to an attitude of inherent self-worth and the ability to value every individual.

Overview:

Board Policy (5127.5) is in place as an effort to ensure that seniors maintain academic progress toward graduation, attend school, display appropriate behavior, and exhibit sound decision making. See the full description of the RJUHSD Board Policy for Senior Conduct here.

Our goal is that every senior enjoys a successful senior year at West Park High School. Senior Conduct exists as a means of helping seniors understand that a diminishing academic effort, poor school attendance, inappropriate behavior, or bad decision making could result in losing privileges, missing the graduation ceremony, or more importantly, failing to earn a high school diploma.

Guidelines:

Students may be placed on Senior Conduct for one or more of the following reasons:

SENIOR CONDUCT FOR ACADEMICS

- ★ Received two or more "**F**" grades in any course at the conclusion of each nine-week grading period (final grade).
- ★ Failure to successfully complete the District Personal Finance graduation requirement by the end of the third quarter of the school year.

SENIOR CONDUCT FOR ATTENDANCE

- ★ 12 or more EXCUSED absences (or 48 period absences) per year.
- ★ 18 or more UNEXCUSED or UNVERIFIED period absences per year.
- ★ 10 or more total **TARDIES** during the most recent nine-week grading period.

SENIOR CONDUCT FOR DISCIPLINE

★ Any **suspension** from the regular school day (including On-Campus Suspension) for any offense during the school year.

What does this mean?

Seniors on **Student Conduct will not be allowed to participate or attend** any school related extracurricular activity.

Student Conduct placement applies to the current quarter grading period.

★ Example: Student earns an "F" at the end of the 3rd quarter. Student is placed on Student Conduct for the 4th quarter grading period.



How to be removed:

The following items explain the ways a student can earn their way off Senior Conduct:

- ★ Noticeably improving their **attendance** (<16 period absences).
- ★ Earn passing **grades** in all classes.
- ★ Seniors may **appeal to the Senior Conduct Committee** by contacting your Assistant Principal according to your last name:
 - Assistant Principal:
 - A-El Mr. Jon Smith jonsmith@rjuhsd.us
 - Em-Le Mrs. Hurd <u>bhurd@rjuhsd.us</u>
 - Li-Ri Mr. Layton <u>clayton@rjuhsd.us</u>
 - Ro-Z Mr. Loya <u>Lloya@rjuhsd.us</u>
 - o Click here for the <u>Appeal Form</u>

The WPHS Administration will notify any senior student placed on Senior Conduct for any of the previously described reasons in writing.

Activities that may be impacted:

- ★ Homecoming Dance
- ★ Homecoming Court
- ★ Rally Participation
- ★ Winter Formal
- ★ Junior Prom
- ★ Senior Movie Night
- ★ Senior Recess
- ★ Senior Ball
- ★ Panther Palooza
- ★ Senior Breakfast
- ★ Senior Sunset
- ★ Graduation Ceremony (depending on the conduct circumstances)

Throughout the school year, West Park High School will be dedicated to recognizing the continuous improvement of student's academics, attendance, and social behavior. We are committed to holding high, but reasonable standards and expectations of our students as well as recognizing and rewarding those that have displayed the qualities of an expert learner that build up the culture of the West Park Community.