

Scarborough High School
2025-26
Extended Senior Privileges and Late Arrival/Early Release Privileges
Program Procedures and Regulations

Scarborough High School offers two forms of Senior Privileges: Extended Privileges and Late Arrival/Early Release Privileges. With the exception of some special circumstances, which are detailed further below in this document, students qualifying for these programs have an opportunity to leave the school building during the day if they have study halls. To qualify, each senior must meet the following criteria and comply with the rules and regulations detailed below. Please note: the GPA qualification is based on the **unweighted GPA** from the **previous quarter grades**, not semester grades.

- **Extended Privileges:** The student must be carrying at least 6 courses (5 if on pace for Graduation), have no failing grades, and earn a GPA of 85.0 or better for the previous quarter. It is understood that a GPA of 84.99 or below, or a grade of 69 in any class will be cause for exclusion from the program.
- **Late Arrival/Early Release:** The student must carry at least 6 courses, have no failing grades, and earn a GPA of 75.0 or better for the previous quarter. It is understood that a GPA of 74.99 or below, or a grade of 69 in any class will be cause for exclusion from the program.

PROGRAM PROCEDURES

- **Contracts:** Both the student and parent must sign the Senior Privileges Contract (attached), which indicates their understanding of and willingness to abide by the program procedures and the rules and regulations set forth in this document. **Please Note:** Parents may also revoke their child's privileges at any time and can do so by contacting Mr. Brown
- **Procedures and Rules and Regs Review:** Program procedures, expectations, and consequences (all contained within these guidelines) will be reviewed with seniors at the start of school. At that time, students will also be notified of their status. From that point forward, seniors eligible for Senior Privileges will be expected to abide by the rules and regulations of the program.
- **Sign-Out:** To access Privileges during a study hall block, students will be required to sign in and out in Admin I (Main Office) before leaving and immediately upon arriving at the school.
- **Sign-In:** When returning to school grounds, students must immediately sign in and report to their next class. When students return to SHS and the bell has not yet run to pass to the next class, students must stay in ADMIN I or the Main Lobby only.
- **Mid-quarter Checkpoints:** Students seeking to increase their Privileges midway through a quarter should meet with Mr. Brown at the midpoint of the quarter and request a grade check. It is the responsibility of the student to make this request and schedule this meeting. If at that time the student's grades for the current quarter meet the established criteria, their Privileges will be increased. Students will be notified in advance of these checkpoints. **Please note:** Privileges are only increased at the mid-quarter checkpoint.
- **Change in Status Notifications:** Students and parents will be notified of any change in status at the start of the new quarter. No notification means the student qualifies for the same Privileges as the previous quarter.
- **Mandatory Activities:** All seniors must be present for school activities such as spirit week, assemblies, and special guest speakers when they are in class or their study halls. If a student skips one of these activities, his/her privileges will be revoked.

INFRACTIONS AND CONSEQUENCES

The Administration may revoke the Senior Privileges program for any and all students if it determines it is in the best interests of the school. Privileges will be revoked in the event of frequent or flagrant violations of the program by individual students or groups of students, and the program as a whole may be modified or discontinued in the event of accumulated complaints by the community.

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Below are the most common infractions and the resulting consequences. This list is not meant to be exhaustive and both parents and students should understand that Senior Privileges may be revoked as part of any disciplinary action.

- **Tardies:** If tardy, students will be held accountable by the guidelines set forth in the student handbook. Privileges will be subject to suspension in response to tardies.
- **Sign-In/-Out Violations:** Students are required to personally sign themselves in and out of the building. If a student is found to have a fellow student sign them out, or neglected to sign out, the student will be suspended indefinitely. If the student who falsely signed in/out another student is discovered, his/her privileges will be suspended indefinitely.
- **Loitering:** Loitering in the halls will be dealt with using the same guidelines as those established above for tardiness, including penalties assessed according to the Student Handbook. Senior Privileges are a sign-out-and-leave program. If a student chooses to stay at SHS during a study hall period, the student must report to their assigned study hall and abide by all established expectations and procedures.
- **Illicit Substances:** Any and all of the substance-related infractions below will also be subject to police action and suspension/expulsion from school as seen necessary by administration.
 - Any illegal substances possessed, distributed, or used on school grounds will result in immediate removal from the program.
 - Any illegal substances possessed, distributed, or used off school grounds will also result in immediate removal from the program.
 - Coming back to school under the influence of any illegal substance will result in the immediate removal from the program.
- **Transporting Students without Privileges:** Transporting underclassmen or ineligible or suspended students will result in a suspension and could result in an indefinite suspension from the Senior Privileges program as seen fit by an Administrator.

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Parent Acknowledgements:

- I give my permission for my child to travel to and from Scarborough High School by means of private vehicle transportation and understand explicitly that this transportation permission applies to times during which my child would ordinarily be in school. I acknowledge an understanding of the complete terms of each document.
- I understand explicitly in providing permission for my eligible child to participate in the “Senior Privilege” regulation as attached that the Scarborough School Department is unable to provide supervision of my child while he/she is exercising such privileges. I extend my permission for my child to participate in the “Senior Privilege” program nonetheless.
- My permission for private vehicle transportation includes:
 - 1) My child as the driver of a car owned by me or our child;
 - 2) My child as a passenger in a vehicle driven by another student, or by me, or by the parent of another senior **eligible** to participate in this program.
- In giving my permission for my child to participate in the “Senior Privilege” program, I fully understand that the Scarborough School Department, its officers, agents, and employees will not be liable for injury, harm, or damage to my child’s health or property occurring during or arising out of such transportation.

Student Acknowledgements:

- I acknowledge as a condition of this waiver, that I agree to abide by the school’s rules of behavior and conduct during and while in route to and from Scarborough High School while I am exercising the privileges contained in the “Senior Privilege Program Procedures and Regulation” document. I acknowledge that I understand all of these rules of behavior and conduct.
- I acknowledge the great importance that the Scarborough School Department places on driver safety, particularly while I am en route as a driver or passenger to and from Scarborough High School. I drive my private vehicle to and from Scarborough High School in exercising senior privilege. I confirm that I am a properly licensed driver and that I am thoroughly familiar with and will abide by the motor vehicle regulations of the State of Maine.
- I fully understand that the Scarborough School Department, its officers, agents, and employees will not be liable for injury, harm, or damage to my health or property occurring during or arising out of such transportation as I may use in exercising my privileges under the “Senior Privilege” guidelines.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Student Name (printed): _____

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____