

*Withdrawal from School*

“Withdrawal from school”, for the purpose of this policy, is the cessation of formal education prior to graduation for a student who meets any of the following criteria:

- A student who has attained the age of 16, is engaged in lawful employment, has a valid employment certificate, and has written consent of parent/guardian.
- A student who is seventeen years of age and who has written consent of parent/guardian.
- A student who is incarcerated in a correctional institution.
- A student who is mentally incapacitated as determined by an approved mental clinic certificated psychological examiner or certificated school psychologist and is excused by the Board.
- A student who is entering the armed services.
- A student who has reached the age of 18 and is mentally incapacitated is subject to the conditions above.

A special effort shall be made whenever a student is withdrawing from school for other than involuntary reasons to determine both the reasons for such action and resources accessible to the District which can be used to assist the student in reaching attainable career goals.

The withdrawal of a student attending college full-time shall be approved by the Superintendent.

The Superintendent shall prepare procedures for a student’s withdrawal from school which shall include:

- Making guidance counseling services available to the student who wish to withdraw from school and to students who wish to re-enroll.
- Informing the student of the tests for General Education Development and other alternative educational opportunities.
- Seeking the timely return of all District owned supplies and equipment in the possession of the withdrawing student.
- Informing student of the right to a public school education until graduation or the age of 21.