

STUDENT DISMISSAL

The Morehouse Parish School Board shall not permit a school or grade to be dismissed before the regular hour for dismissal except with the approval of the office of the Superintendent. No teacher or school staff member may permit any individual student to leave school prior to the regular hour of dismissal except by permission of the principal.

No student may be permitted to leave school prior to the dismissal hour at the request of or in the company of anyone other than a school employee, police officer, court official, parent, tutor, or legal guardian of the child, unless the permission of the parent or legal guardian has been first secured and only then upon proof of identity. If any police or court official requests the dismissal of a student during school hours, parents or legal guardian should be notified as soon as possible.

A child shall only be released to the parent awarded legal custody of the child if the parents are divorced or legally separated. The school shall be notified by the parent(s) should any changes in custody occur during the school year. A child shall be released to a non-custodial parent only if there is written permission for doing so signed by the custodial parent on file with the school office.

No student shall be released from school early on the basis of a phone call which has not been validated. No student shall be permitted to check himself/herself out of school, unless legally emancipated.

STUDENTS LEAVING SCHOOL

Students are required to check out through the principal's office before leaving the school campus during the hours school is in session.

Students shall not be sent off campus to perform an errand or act as messengers.

Students are required to remain at school during the lunch hour except when special diet problems have been verified in writing by the parent or guardian.

Students who seek special permission to leave school on a repeated basis must have parents come to school and make application and arrangement for a special permit as may be granted by the principal.

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Ref: La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§17:81, 17:221, 17:226, 17:232; Board minutes 6-3-25.