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Senior Open Campus and Lunch Privilege Policy

The ability to budget and use one's time in an effective and efficient way is a skill we believe our students must develop. To help develop that skill, Mainland Regional High School has adopted an open campus policy, as a privilege for students with senior status. This policy permits senior students, in good standing, to leave school grounds when they do not have a scheduled class, including the time designated for lunch.

Students must be aware that when they leave school grounds they are required to be back in school in time for their next class. Attendance is taken every period and any student who fails to return to class or arrives late will face the consequences outlined in the Mainland Regional High School Discipline Code. **Open campus privileges may be revoked at any time at the discretion of the school.**

Students will not be allowed to loiter in the parking lot or on any other school grounds if they choose to leave the building during the school day. Students choosing to stay on campus will only be allowed in areas designated by school administration.

Students are not permitted to place orders for food to be delivered to the school during lunch time. Government regulations prohibit any outside vendors from delivering food during the time designated for lunch. Therefore, no food deliveries to our students will be accepted from outside vendors during this time.

One area we are very concerned about is the crossing of Route 9 by our students. Therefore, **we are strongly advising students not to walk across Route 9** because of the high risk of an accident with the high volume of traffic during the day.

All underclassmen (9th, 10th and 11th grade students) are prohibited from leaving school grounds during the school day unless they are signed out by a parent or guardian. Any senior who takes an underclassmen or non-privileged senior off school grounds with them will immediately and permanently lose their open campus and lunch privilege.

Additionally, students need to be aware that **all driving laws will be strictly enforced** by local law enforcement, including limited passenger restrictions on provisional licenses.

Please be aware that the open campus and lunch privilege can be removed at any time for any senior who has attendance, academic or behavior problems as determined by the school.

Any parent or guardian who does **not** want their child to be allowed to leave school grounds during the school day must complete and submit the *Senior Open Campus Opt-Out Form*. The form can be found on our web page, as well as in the school's main office. The form can be submitted in person at the school between the hours of 7:00 AM and 3:00 PM or it can be sent in the mail. If mailed, please follow up with us to make sure the opt-out form was received. Only submit the opt-out form if you do not want your child to have senior open campus privileges.

If you have any questions concerning this policy please do not hesitate to contact the school at **927-4151**. Thank you.

