



STUDENT WITHDRAWAL FROM PARENTAL/GUARDIAN CONTROL

Responsibility:	<i>Superintendent, Student Achievement & Well-Being</i>
Legal References:	<i>Family and Children's Services Act: Section 265; Children's Law Reform Act; Family Law Act; Education Act.</i>
Related References:	<i>Administrative Procedure 2300 – Supervised Alternative Learning for Excused Pupils: A Guide for Implementation SES-10-SW Withdrawal From Parental Control Guidelines</i>
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1. Preamble

This procedure provides guidelines and expectations pertaining to the completion of the Withdrawal from Parental/Guardian Control Notification Form.

2. General

- 2.1 Section 265 of the Family and Children's Services Act makes reference to students who are 16 years old as having the right to declare themselves as having withdrawn from parental/guardian control.
- 2.2 Once it has been substantiated that a student has withdrawn from parental/guardian control, the parent(s)/guardian loses all right to educational information, as well as any other information to which the school/Board may have access such as personal information such as address or phone number.

3. Purpose of Form

- 3.1 Completion of Withdrawal from Parental/Guardian Control Notification Form along with supporting evidence to show that the student is living independently is required to support the student's claim.
- 3.2 The student must provide some evidence that s/he is living independently from his/her parent/guardian and providing for his/her own living expenses. Such evidence could include:
 - 3.2.1 A copy of a rental agreement
 - 3.2.2 A pay stub or proof of social assistance
 - 3.2.3 In the case where a student is living with an older sibling or a friend, a letter from the older sibling or parent of a friend where the student is living explaining the circumstances would be sufficient.
- 3.3 Where a student moves in with a family relative (e.g., grandparent or aunt) s/he would be regarded as living in a guardianship situation rather than living independently.
- 3.4 The form must be signed by a witness
- 3.5 Once completed the form and the supporting evidence is to be placed in the DOCUMENTATION SECTION of the student's OSR.