



August 11, 2020

Dear Parents of the Class of 2021 and 2022:

A tradition at Mariemont High School has been the senior lunch privilege. Once again we are also extending this privilege to our junior class. As in the past the policy stresses the importance of academics and encourages seniors and juniors to focus on achievement as demonstrated by quarter grades, attendance, and adherence to the code of conduct.

For a student to enjoy the off-campus lunch privilege, he/she must implement the procedures and abide by the regulations established by the principal of the High School. **Students must have earned a 2.0 or greater in the fourth quarter of their junior (or sophomore) year** and maintain or exceed that minimum GPA each subsequent quarter to maintain eligibility for senior/junior lunch. Additionally, **students that exceed 5 absences in a quarter** will be ineligible for senior/junior lunch privileges. Before a student is allowed to participate in this program for lunch, the parent and student must sign the permission form attached to this letter, return it to the main office, and receive approval from the principal.

Implicit in the signing of the parental/student permission form is a recognition and acceptance of the regulations pertaining to student responsibilities associated with the off-campus lunch period. The parents and student must further recognize that they accept full responsibility for the student's safety whenever he/she leaves the campus for a prescribed time, for an unknown destination, in an unknown mode of conveyance, with unknown associates.

The regulations adopted by the Board of Education would define the following as controlling rules of the off-campus lunch program.

1. Senior and junior students, with parental permission, will have the privilege of off-campus lunch beginning with the presentation of a completed request form.
2. Senior and junior students will return to class from off-campus open lunch at the appointed time.
3. Senior and junior students will return from off-campus open lunch and return directly to their fifth bell class and will not wander throughout the building if they return early.
4. Senior and junior students who elect the off-campus open lunch will consume purchased food off school grounds and will not bring food back onto the school grounds or into the school building.
5. Senior and junior students will obey safety and traffic rules and regulations. This includes both school rules and local ordinances and state laws.
6. Senior and junior students must abide by all rules and regulations of the school in order to maintain the privilege of off-campus open lunch.
7. Senior and junior students, electing off-campus open lunch, must deport themselves in such a manner that their behavior will not disrupt the educational process or endanger the health, safety, and welfare of another student. Should a senior take along an underclassman, the senior will lose his/her privilege and the underclassman will be penalized for truancy.
8. Senior students violating school rules, including those specifically stated for open lunch, may be suspended from school and/or suspended from the privilege of open lunch. Penalties less than suspension may also be assigned for violation of existing rules if appropriate.

9. To sign out the day(s) the student wishes to eat lunch off campus, he/she must inform the teacher of the class immediately preceding the period spent off campus. NO STUDENT MAY SIGN FOR ANOTHER. This information is gathered by the office with the regular attendance submission.

In conjunction with these rules the Board of Education grants the high school administration the authority to develop new rules and regulations or modify existing ones when the necessity arises. Furthermore, the administration has the authority to revoke the off-campus lunch privilege of the senior class and junior class as a whole when it is necessary to maintain the proper functioning of the educational process.

The above regulations will be rigorously enforced. The parent and student are advised that no excuse will be accepted for a violation of any rule listed above or developed at a later time. A student violating an established regulation (except as described in #7) will be suspended from the off-campus lunch program for ten (10) school days for a first offense. A second infraction will result in the student being suspended from the program the remainder of the school year.

Sincerely,

Trevor Block
Assistant Principal

SENIOR AND JUNIOR LUNCH PRIVILEGE

Permission Slip

We (Parent/Student) hereby advise the administration that the student shall participate in the off-campus senior/junior lunch program within the guidelines established.

The parent or student may elect to revoke this authorization by submitting a written note expressing this intent to Mr. Block, Asst. Principal

Parent Name (Please Print) Parent Signature

Student Name (Please Print) Student Signature

Date

Principal approval

Date