

Series 5000: Students, Curriculum, and Academic Matters

5100 Student Rights

5104 Age of Majority

State law recognizes students are adults at age 18 or when otherwise legally emancipated. Except as noted below, all Board Policies, applicable codes of conduct, and any other applicable rules or behavioral expectations apply to all students regardless of age. Additional procedures and expectations may be included in the High School Student Handbook.

Students who are 18 years or older or legally emancipated may:

- A. have the same rights as their parents/guardians as they relate to access to or control of their student records;
- B. represent themselves during disciplinary conferences;
- C. sign themselves in and out of school;
- D. provide reason(s) for their absences and tardies; and
- E. have other rights or privileges as determined by the Superintendent or designee.

Eligible students who wish to assert these rights must notify the building principal in writing. Otherwise, sections B-E above will not apply. The building principal or designee may notify an eligible student's parent/guardian that the eligible student has exercised the rights listed under this Policy.

Legal authority: MCL 722.4, 722.52

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