

Student Dismissal Precautions

The school is legally responsible for taking the reasonable steps to ensure the health and safety of its students during the school day. Therefore, each school shall set up procedures to validate requests for early dismissal to insure that students are released only for proper reasons and into proper hands.

Under no circumstances shall teachers dismiss a student from school prior to the end of the school day or into any person's custody without the direct prior approval and knowledge of the building principal.

The principal shall not excuse a student under the age of 18 before the end of a school day without a request for the early dismissal from the student's parents. In keeping with this policy, it becomes prudent that:

1. No student be released from school early on the basis of an un-validated telephone call.
2. Children of divorced or legally separated parents shall be released only upon the request of the parent whom a Colorado court holds directly responsible for the child and who is the parent or guardian registered on the school record.

An elementary student shall be sent home only with his parent, or if the parent is not available, with another authorized adult.

Additional precautions shall be taken by the principals as needs arise.

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