

## Peekskill High School

Peekskill High School has an established practice of allowing students in good-standing, who are classified as juniors or seniors, with the privilege of being able to leave the High School's campus during their respective lunch periods. Accordingly, Peekskill High School has established the following guidelines for off-campus privileges for eligible juniors and seniors. It is important that parents and students understand the expectations and rules governing off-campus privileges. Your signatures will indicate that you have reviewed and discussed these regulations, are aware of the liability associated with this privilege, and consent to the terms and conditions set forth herein.

1. Parents/guardians and the student must sign the attached permission form in front of a notary public. The notarized form must then be returned to the main office of the Peekskill High School.
2. Only students who have earned the required credits to be classified as juniors or seniors for the 2011-2012 school year may apply. **11 credits = Junior and 16 credits = Senior**
3. All fines and fees must be cleared before applying for off-campus privileges. Students with outstanding financial obligations will be denied until their accounts are settled in full.
4. Students with off-campus privileges will not take students off campus who are not authorized to leave the school premises. This limitation includes other students who have not been granted permission for off-campus privileges.
5. Students with off-campus privileges will promptly return to school for all scheduled classes. Note: If a student becomes ill while off campus, the student must still follow Peekskill City School District protocol concerning leaving school early due to illness. The failure to follow proper District protocol will result in the student being treated as though he/she skipped class or left the school premises without permission in violation of the Code of Student Conduct.
6. Students with off-campus privileges will maintain acceptable behavior in accordance with the District's Code of Student Conduct. Failure to do so may result in the District taking disciplinary action against the student, up to and including suspension out-of-school and the revocation of off-campus privileges.
7. Students with off-campus privileges will return to class on time. Excessive tardiness will result in suspended privileges or other disciplinary action in accordance with the District's Code of Student Conduct.
8. Students with off-campus privileges and their parents/guardians are solely responsible where students go while off campus and for their own transportation.
9. Students with off-campus privileges may bring outside food back to the parade field or to the cafeteria, either for themselves or for students who are also at lunch and in the cafeteria. **Outside food may NOT be brought into other areas of the building.**
10. No food, drink, or litter is to be left in the parking lot or other area of the PHS campus.
11. Students exercising off-campus privileges are not allowed to visit other school campuses while off campus, unless they have the express prior written permission of the other school's administrator, and have notified the Peekskill High School Principal of such permission.

12. The Peekskill City School District, its Board of Education members, administrators, employees and agents assume no liability for any accident or injury incurred by the student during the exercise of off-campus privileges. In addition, the parents and the student acknowledge and agree that they are solely liable for the student's conduct while the student is off-campus.
13. Students must remain in good standing in order to maintain off-campus privileges. For purposes of this waiver, "In good standing" will be identified as follows:
  - **Current Gr. 11 student (11 credits) or Gr. 12 student (16 credits)**
  - **Signed and notarized permission form on file in PHS Main Office**
  - **No outstanding fines or unpaid balances (including lunch accounts)**
  - **In good disciplinary standing (no outstanding disciplinary referrals)**
14. Students must be in possession of a valid Peekskill High School Student ID card whenever they leave the PHS campus.
15. The District retains the right to revoke the student's off-campus privilege at any time.

**Peekskill High School  
Off-Campus Permission Form**

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ STUDENT ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

**The authorization and decision for a student to leave campus during their lunch period rests entirely with the parent/guardian of the qualified student. The Peekskill City School District and its Board of Education members, administrators, employees and agents are not liable for any claim, action, loss, or damage that may arise as a result of a student leaving the High School premises during his/her lunch period. Students exercising off-campus privileges remain subject to the District's Code of Student Conduct. The abuse of any of these provisions may result in a suspension or termination of off-campus privileges and/or other disciplinary consequences. We have read and understand the Off-Campus Policies and grant our son/daughter permission to leave the school campus for his/her scheduled time.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent signature and date

**I have read and understand the Off-Campus Policies and agree to the stated conditions.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student signature and date

**Release**

**The undersigned do hereby fully release and discharge the Peekskill City School District, its Board of Education members, administrators, employees and agents from any and all claims, losses, liabilities, demands, actions or causes of actions of any kind (including, without limitation, for attorney's fees, costs and expenses), whether in contract, tort, under statute or otherwise, that may result on account of or connected with the off-campus privileges granted herein, and shall indemnify Peekskill City School District and the Peekskill City School District Board of Education for the same.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.  
Parent signature and date

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Notary Public-State of New York