## POLICY

## SOUTH ORANGE MAPLEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION

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## [See POLICY ALERT No. 95 and 172]

The Board of Education believes that the educational goals of this district are best implemented by a student's exposure to the entire educational program and that every student enrolled in this district should be encouraged to complete the program of instruction appropriate to his or her their needs. No student below the age of sixteen will be permitted to withdraw from school.

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The <u>Superintendent shall alert</u> teaching staff <u>members to identify</u> shall be reasonably alert to those students who may consider the completion of eighth grade as the termination of their education. Any student who indicates that <u>he or shethey</u> may drop out of school before entry to the ninth grade should be reported to the building principal and be provided with counseling.

The Board directs that efforts be made to determine the underlying reason for a student's decision to withdraw from school before the completion of the instructional program. A potential dropout student will be offered counseling and an opportunity to plan an instructional program appropriate to their career goals. No student under the age of eighteen will be permitted to withdraw without the written consent of the student's parent(s) or legal guardian(s).

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Counseling services and information regarding high school equivalency programs will be made available to any student sixteen (16) years of age or older who is considering decides to withdrawing from school before completion of the requirements for a diploma. A student who has withdrawn from school may apply for readmission at any time prior to his or her their twentieth (20th) birthday, provided application for readmission is made at the beginning of a school term.

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