

**CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**CONSENT TO WITHDRAW FROM SCHOOL**  
*(Students 17 years of age or older)*

STUDENT NAME	ID NUMBER	SCHOOL NAME	SCHOOL ID
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**Chicago Public Schools Board Policy and State Law Requirements:**

- Compulsory enrollment and attendance. Until reaching age 17, a child who resides in Illinois must be enrolled and attend a public school in the district where s(he) resides unless s(he) has graduated from high school, attends a private or parochial school or who is physically or mentally unable to attend school. In addition, all children, regardless of age, while enrolled in grades K through 12, are subject to compulsory attendance.
- Free Education Entitlement Enrolled students are entitled to a free, full-time public education until the age of 21 (22 if a Special Education student) unless s(he) graduates from high school, is expelled for misconduct, or withdraws from enrollment. By dropping out of school, a student forfeits their educational rights, privileges and opportunities.
- Re-enrollment. CPS shall not deny re-enrollment of a student who is 17 or over who has dropped out of school, unless the student, due to age and a lack of credits, is unlikely to graduate before his/her 21<sup>st</sup> birthday (22<sup>nd</sup> birthday if a Special Education student). If re-enrollment is denied, the student is entitled by state law and CPS policy to a due process appeal.
- Student withdrawal from enrollment – 17 years old. A student who is 17 years of age and has the informed and written consent of the “parent/legal guardian” (as identified on CPS records) as evidenced by the signing of this “Consent to Withdraw from School” form by the student and “parent/legal guardian” can withdraw from enrollment.
- Student withdrawal from enrollment – 18 or more years old. A student who is 18 years of age or older and who has signed this “Consent to Withdraw from School” form **can withdraw from enrollment without parent/legal guardian consent.**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ confirm that I am 17 years of age or older  
*(Student Signature)*

and fully understand the consequences of withdrawing from enrollment and the right to re-enroll as described above.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ confirm that the **above named student is**  
*(Parent/Legal Guardian Signature of 17 year old student)*

**17 years of age** and that the named student and I fully understand the consequences of withdrawing from enrollment and the right to re-enroll as described above.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Principal Signature) (Date)*

confirm that the above named student and (if applicable) parent/legal guardian have been fully informed by the school of the consequences of withdrawing from enrollment. I have informed them of alternative and adult education services that are available in the community and directed them to contact CPS Alternative Schools, (773) 538-8500 for additional information.