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Dear Sal:

You have requested that this office review the Opportunity School's student sign-out procedures and recommend action that the school should take to ensure the responsible supervision of the off-campus activities of its students under the age of majority. I have the following suggestions:

- 1. Adhere to the required times for students to return from off-campus activities on both weekdays and weekends.
- 2. Declare areas which the school deems to be inappropriate to be off-limits.
- 3. Obtain either a general consent from the parents or guardians for weekend travel by the students or permission from them for individual trips.
- 4. Operate a sign-out procedure for all off-campus activities which should include destinations, telephone numbers where the students can be reached (if possible), and expected times of return.
- 5. Provide punishment for violations of the above rules.
- 6. Adopt any other rules which would contribute to the supervision of the students which is appropriate to their ages and to the circumstances.
- 7. Advise both parents and students of all rules of the school.

If you have any questions concerning these suggestions, please let me know. I will be happy to be of any additional assistance in this matter.

Yours very truly,

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