

STUDENT ABSENCES AND EXCUSES

The following reasons for student absences from schools are recognized as valid by the Board of Education:

1. illness;
2. sickness or death in the family;
3. unsafe travel conditions;
4. religious observance;
5. doctor appointments;
6. quarantine;
7. required court appearances;
8. approved college visits, and
9. approved cooperative work programs.

Any other absence is considered unexcused.

Each instance of absence must be explained by a written note from a parent/guardian. This note should be brought to school by the student upon returning from any absence.

Repeated infractions of board policy requiring the attendance of enrolled students may result in disciplinary action against the student.

The superintendent and his/her staff will develop procedures that staff must follow to monitor student attendance. The procedures will conform to state requirements and will include the systematic and accurate recording of student attendance, the verification of the legitimacy of student absences, and the follow-up and referral necessary for students requiring attendance service.

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