

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

In accordance with state law, all parents must cause children between 6 and 18 years of age to attend school unless the child has graduated, is excused by the school attendance officer or parent, or is enrolled in an alternative program leading toward graduation. The responsibility for monitoring and encouraging attendance is shared by the parents, schools, and the community. The parent or guardian of absent students is expected to notify the school on the day the absence occurs. The school shall report a student's unexcused absences to the parent or guardian. Students are allowed and encouraged to make up work missed during excused absences from school. It is the student's responsibility to request assignments and schedule make-up exams. Missing school for unexcused absences will have a negative impact on a student's grade and in some cases contribute to the overall failure of a course. The school shall have the authority to initiate action as stated in Board Policy 5200 to secure a student and/or parents or guardians compliance with compulsory attendance law.

(§118.15(1) and 118.16 and Board Policy 5200)