

## **Compulsory Attendance**

Except when exempt by Oregon law, all students ages 7-18 who have not completed the 12th grade are required to attend school full-time on a regular basis at the designated school within the attendance area.

Persons having legal control of a student ages 7-18 who has not completed the 12th grade are required to have the student attend school. Under the superintendent's direction and supervision, building principals shall monitor and report any violation of the compulsory attendance law to the superintendent or designee. Failure to send a student and to maintain a student in regular attendance is a Class C violation and is punishable by a citation.

The district will develop procedures for issuing a citation.

A parent who is not supervising his/her student by requiring school attendance, may also be in violation of ORS 163.577 (1)(c). Failing to supervise a child is a Class A violation and punishable by a fine.

### **Exemptions From Compulsory School Attendance**

In the following cases, students shall not be required to attend public schools full-time:

1. Students being taught in a private or parochial school in courses of study usually taught in grades 1-12 in the public schools and in attendance for a period equivalent to that required of students attending public schools;
2. Students proving to the Board's satisfaction that they have acquired the courses of study taught in grades 1-12 in the public schools;
3. Students being taught by a private teacher the courses of study usually taught in grades 1-12 in the public school for a period equivalent to that required of students attending public schools;
4. Students being educated in the home by a parent;
5. Students excluded from attendance as provided by law;
6. An exemption may be granted to the parent of any student 16 or 17 years of age who is lawfully employed full-time, lawfully employed part-time and enrolled in school, or enrolled in a community college or other state-registered alternative education program.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 153.018](#)

[ORS 163.577](#)

[ORS 336.615 - 336.665](#)

[ORS 339.010 - 339.090](#)

[ORS 339.260](#)

[ORS 339.925](#)

[ORS 339.990](#)

[ORS 807.065](#)

[ORS 807.066](#)

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