

Student Absences and Excuses**

The Board considers regular school attendance essential for educational success. All students are expected to attend school as required by law and by Board policy.

The principal will be responsible for assessing and acting upon parental requests for students to be excused.

The principal has the authority to excuse students for absences due to illness, educational/ occupational interviews, bereavement or serious illness in the family, inclement weather, religious instruction or emergencies. Physicians, psychiatrists, psychologists, dentists and similar professionals may request permission for students' excused absences.

Students may be excused on a limited basis from a particular preplanned classroom activity or from selected portions of the established curriculum on the basis of personal, religious or ethnic considerations.

A student who is excused must still fulfill the school's requirements.

Each school shall notify parents/guardians by the end of the school day if their child has an unplanned absence. The notification will be either in person, by telephone, or another method agreed to between the school and parent/guardian. If the parent/guardian cannot be notified by the above methods, a message shall be left, if possible.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 109.056	OAR 581-021-0046
ORS 332.107	OAR 581-021-0050
ORS 339.030	OAR 581-023-0006(11)
ORS 339.055	
ORS 339.065	HB 3197 (2011)
ORS 339.420	

Cross Reference(s):

IGBHD - Program Exemptions