

Attendance

1. The school shall make every effort to provide a meaningful experience and to encourage full individual development. For long periods of illness (exceeding 10 days and verified by a physician), a home teacher may be provided.
2. The district's school attendance/absence policies follow Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 339.005 - 339.090.
3. Each student shall comply with the attendance rules and regulations of the school he/she attends and shall pursue the agreed upon course of study.
4. Students shall be punctual in reporting to school and to classes.
5. Students may not attend school when they have a communicable disease.
6. Students may not attend school activities when they have been excluded for disciplinary reasons.
7. Continued truancy may be referred to the proper authorities for further action as deemed necessary.
8. In accordance with ORS 339.420: "Attendance at religious instruction: Upon application of the parent(s) or guardian, or if the child has attained the age of majority, a child attending the public school may be excused from school for periods not exceeding two hours in any week or elementary pupils and five hours in any week for secondary pupils to attend weekday schools giving instruction in religion."
9. Students attending the Hermiston Public Schools may be excused from regular classes for private lessons up to a maximum of one hour each week, provided:
 - a. That the student's teacher and building principal agree that such a loss of time from the regular program is not unduly detrimental to the child's progress; and
 - b. The schedule of the music lessons is approved by the student's teacher and the principal of the building.
10. Students shall not leave school prior to dismissal without parent's knowledge. In case of illness, the student shall remain at school until parent or designated substitute has been notified.
11. Students may be taught by a private teacher or parent when the conditions for such is met as defined by ORS 339.035.
12. Nonattendance notice to parents and compliance requirements shall be as required in ORS 339.080 - 339.090. (See JEA - Compulsory Attendance.)