

# Hood River County School District

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## Student Absences and Excuses\*\*

It is the student's responsibility to maintain regular attendance in all assigned classes. Absence from school or class will be excused under the following circumstances:

1. Illness of the student;
2. Illness of an immediate family member when the student's presence at home is necessary;
3. Emergency situations that require the student's absence;
4. School-approved activities;
5. Medical/dental appointments. Confirmation of appointments may be required;
6. Other reasons deemed appropriate by the school administrator when satisfactory arrangements have been made in advance of the absence.

Principals will establish school procedures<sup>1</sup> to readmit students following an absence, and will require a written signed acknowledgment from parent or guardian stating the reason for the absence. Principals will inform parents and students of the school's attendance procedures.

Each school shall notify a parent or 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 identified in writing by the parent or guardian. If the parent or guardian cannot be notified by the above methods, a message shall be left, if possible.

END OF POLICY

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<sup>1</sup>The use of out-of-school suspension or expulsion for discipline of a student in the fifth grade or below, is limited to:

1. Nonaccidental conduct causing serious physical harm to a student or employee;
2. When a school administrator determines, based on the administrator's observation or upon a report from an employee, the student's conduct poses a threat to the health or safety of students or employees; or
3. When the suspension or expulsion is required by law.

**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 109.056](#)  
[ORS 332.107](#)  
[ORS 339.030](#)  
[ORS 339.055](#)

[ORS 339.065](#)  
[ORS 339.071](#)  
[ORS 339.250](#)  
[ORS 339.420](#)

[OAR 581-021-0046](#)  
[OAR 581-021-0050](#)  
[OAR 581-023-0006\(11\)](#)

**Cross Reference(s):**

IGBHD - Program Exemptions