

**Neah-Kah-Nie  
School District 56**

Code: **JEFB**  
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Orig. Code(s): JEFB

**Release Time for Religious Instruction\*\***

Upon application of his/her guardian, an elementary student may be excused from school for periods not exceeding two hours in any week to attend weekday schools in religious instruction.

Secondary students shall not be excused for periods exceeding five hours in any week.

The administration shall have procedures for dismissing and recording excused absences for students attending religious instruction.

Any student unable to attend classes on a particular day due to religious beliefs shall be excused from attendance requirements for that day.

No such absence shall be counted against a student in determining exclusion, failure or reduction of grades. Any tests and assignments a student misses because of religious instruction shall be given to the student at another time.

END OF POLICY

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**Legal Reference(s):**

[ORS 339.420](#)

[ORS 659.850](#)

[OAR 581-021-0046](#)

Dilger v. Sch. Dist. 24CJ, 222 Or. 108 (1960).