

Scio School District 95

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

Release Time for Religious Instruction**

Students in grades 9-12 may be excused from school for religious instruction not to exceed five hours in any school week. Students in grades 1-8 may be excused from school for religious instruction not to exceed two hours in any school week. A written application from the parent is required for all such requests.

Students not attending religious instruction will continue with the regular school program.

The administration shall have procedures for dismissing and recording excused absences for students attending religious instruction. These procedures should be formulated cooperatively with the director of the religious instruction program.

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

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 339.420](#)
[ORS 659.850](#)

[OAR 581-021-0046](#)

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