

Code: **JED**
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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' absences to be excused.

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 religious or disability considerations.

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

A student of legal age (18 yrs. or older) submitting to compulsory attendance must have a legal guardian request excused absences. Adult students are not allowed to excuse themselves.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):