

DISTRICT ATTENDANCE POLICY

1. The Board of Education embraces the philosophy that regular attendance of pupils is basic for school success. The Board supports the policy that while it is the parents' duty and responsibility to determine the child's attendance at school, the school shares this responsibility with the parents. In some cases, it may be the duty of the school not to condone certain parentally approved absences. The Board accepts the following guidelines for encouraging regular attendance.
2. Pursuant to W.S. 21-4-101 (a)(i), and in accordance with this policy the following definitions are given:
 - A. Excused absences shall be those absences for these reasons:
 1. Personal illness
 2. Funerals, weddings, deaths, or extraordinary events with the family
 3. Medical or dental appointments not possible during other than school time
 4. Family emergencies
 5. School related activities with the sanction and approval of the school
 - B. Unexcused absences are all other absences not defined as excused.
 - C. Each school will establish procedures in compliance with W.S. 21-4-104 which shall include procedures for communication between school and parents when a student is absent.
3. Any pupil who exceeds the allowable number of unexcused absences in a term may lose credit in the class or be subject to consequences according to each school's procedure.
4. Building principals are designated by the board as attendance officers in accordance with W.S. 21-4-103.
5. In cases where students miss more than the allowable number of absences, they will be referred to the school-based intervention team.
6. Each school will implement an appeals process allowing parents to request an exception to this policy.

SEE PROCEDURE JED-R

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