

The state has enacted an attendance law for all public schools. The law only allows a high school student to miss five or less days per semester. If a student misses more than five days, the student would either have to make up the time on Saturday from 8AM-12PM in our library, or the student will be denied credit in each class that the attendance has exceeded five days. The student has **two** days once returning from the absence to turn in all notes to Student Services.

**There are four distinct categories for absences:**

**1. Exempted, excused** (This category does **not** count against the five days).

The following reasons are included in this category:

- i. Doctor/Dentist's visits and verified by the physician.
- ii. Extended illness, hospital stay, or contagious disease as verified by a doctor.
- iii. Visitation with an Armed Forces parent who has been deployed to a combat zone.
- iv. Observance of a special or recognized religious holiday of the student's own faith.
- v. Educational travel, prior to trip has been approved by the Principal.
- vi. Death in the **immediate** family.
- vii. Court mandated orders.

Reasons III-VII require documentation.

**The following categories count against the five days:**

**2. Non-exempted, excused:**

Parent notes. The student is allowed to make up work, receive full credit, and the note must be turned in to Student Services within two days of the absence.

**3. Non-exempted, Unexcused**

No note or the note is turned in after the allotted two days. No make-up work will be given to the student.

**4. Non-exempted, Suspension**

Out of School Suspension. The student is allowed to make up the work, but the highest grade is 67%.