

Suggested Changes to the Attendance Policy

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7.1 All absences, tardy or early departure of student shall be recorded in the West Virginia Education Information System (WVEIS) in accordance with the definitions set forth in this policy. Student absences for failure for the bus to run due to hazardous conditions, curricular or co-curricular activities, approved homebound or hospital instruction are defined as non-absence reason for being out of school and shall be recorded as such for every student. These absence reasons will not penalize any student for any reason. Absences for extra-curricular are outlined further in this policy.

7.2 Excused Absences, Tardies, or Early Departures

- A. Illness or injury of a student requiring physicians, school administrators or school nurse's verification.
- B. Medical and/or dental appointment, which cannot be scheduled outside the school day when the physician or dentist verifies the absence in writing.
- C. Student illnesses verified by parents/guardian are not to exceed ~~ten (10)~~ **three (3)** total days in a school year **semester**. ~~Verification by a physician or a decision from the administrator in charge is required if the absence exceeds the above stipulations.~~ **The school principal has the discretion to extend the allowable number of parent excuses per semester in extenuating circumstances which will be determined on a case by case basis.** Upon return to school, students have no more than ~~five~~ **three** consecutive school days to verify illness or other reasons for the absence should there be a need to take more than ~~five~~ **three** days, the principal or designee shall be contacted for permission to extend this deadline.



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