

Policies of the Board of Education

Series 300: Instruction

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSONS

343.6

One of the components of the district's instrumental music programs is the providing of lessons to students in overall groups. Every effort shall be made to provide these lessons at times that do not conflict with other classes. However, the Board recognizes that this is not always possible and, as such, directs administration to establish procedures and guidelines in each building that will provide opportunities for lessons with minimal disruptions of a student's regular class schedule.

The basic components of these guidelines shall include the following:

1. A student shall miss no more than two classes per quarter in any one subject area. An exception to the two-class rule may have to be made for 5th grade strings students.
2. A student must be doing "B" work or better in a specific class in order to miss that class for a music lesson. Additionally, students will not be excused from a class for music lessons for other good and valid reasons (tests, field trips, project work, etc.) as determined by the classroom teacher. This provision can be modified by a student IEP (EEN students with disabilities only).
3. Students will make up all work missed in their regular class.
4. Students are responsible for making up missed music lessons at a time scheduled by the music instructor. These make up lessons can be at any time during the school day, before school, after school, during recess or lunch.
5. Parents/guardians and students are to be notified of the school's music lesson guidelines and this policy as well as the student's specific lesson schedule annually. The parents/guardians will acknowledge receipt of the guidelines and lesson schedule on a form provided by the building principal. Parent acknowledgment will not be required if all the students' lessons are scheduled so as to not conflict with other classes. (i.e., during study hall or release time).

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