

SCHOOL COUNCIL POLICY

Pikeville Independent Schools

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Policy Type (Check One)

Council Operations

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POLICY TOPIC DESCRIPTION

STUDENT ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION ATTENDANCE POLICY

POLICY STATEMENT

Students must be in attendance the entire school day (from the beginning of first period to the end of seventh period) in order to participate in a student activity (in or out of season). Student activity is to be defined as: any extra-curricular or co-curricular activity such as a school approved sport, club, or organization including elective class performances or competitions (i.e. band, drama, choir, etc...)

Students absent from classes will not be allowed to participate in a practice, activity, or contest on the day of the absence.

Students should make every effort to schedule appointments (doctor, dental, etc.) on non-school days or after school hours. In the event that this is not possible then the following procedures must be followed:

- 1) Students must be present at least one half day (3 ½ Hours).
- 2) Students must have their absence excused by the end of the school day in order to participate that day. If a student is unable to return to school prior to their event, the student **must** present the excuse to the coach in addition to presenting to the office the next school day. The coach **must** also initial that they saw the excuse. Failure to do so will result in the student not being eligible to participate in the next event.
- 3) In order to participate on a non-school day, students must be present on the prior school day for at least one half day and have any absence or tardy excused.

The attendance clerk or principal designee will provide an event report to the principal, assistant principal, and athletic director(s). The athletic director(s) will communicate students with UNEXCUSED events to each coach. Coaches/Sponsors will be responsible for communicating UNEXCUSED events to parents, guardians, and/or students and ensuring students do not participate in their activity on days which the student would be ineligible under this policy. The principal, assistant principal, or designee will contact the sponsors of non-sports activities who will then be responsible for ensuring the students do not participate in their activity on days which the student would be ineligible under this policy.

Exceptions to this policy must have prior approval of the athletic director and the principal/his or her designee. The principal/assistant principal will arbitrate in any questionable instance. Students who are suspended from school may not practice, participate or attend an event during the time of suspension.

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