



Title of Regulation:

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STUDENT ATTENDANCE

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Constitutional and Statutory Provisions:

Section(s):

59-5-65.

Powers and responsibilities of State Board of Education
Rules and regulations

59-65-90.

Code of Laws of South Carolina. 1976.

20 U.S.C. § 7112.

No Child Left Behind Act of 2001

42 U.S.C. § 5601 et seq.

Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974

U.S. Code of Laws

State Board Regulation:

43-274. Student Attendance.

I. Lawful and Unlawful Absences

School districts must adopt policies to define and list lawful and unlawful absences.

(A) Lawful absences include but are not limited to

(1) absences caused by a student's own illness and whose attendance in school would endanger his or her health or the health of others,

(2) absences due to an illness or death in the student's immediate family,

(3) absences due to a recognized religious holiday of the student's faith, and

(4) absences due to activities that are approved in advance by the principal.

(B) Unlawful absences include but are not limited to

(1) absences of a student without the knowledge of his or her parents, or

(2) absences of a student without acceptable cause with the knowledge of his or her parents.

(C) Suspension is not to be counted as an unlawful absence for truancy purposes.