Calvert County Public Schools 1305 Dares Beach Road Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Policy Statement #3005 (Student) of the Board of Education Regarding Student Attendance

I. Purpose

A. To ensure regular school attendance for Calvert County Public Schools students

II. Policy Statement

A. The Board of Education believes that regular attendance is necessary if a student is to achieve success in school. No student who is excessively absent during the school year can fully benefit from educational programs, student supports, and activities offered at the school. There is little chance of continuity of instruction or maintenance of interest when a student does not attend classes regularly. Students with good attendance have greater opportunities to utilize their talents, to increase their self-esteem, and to acquire social and emotional competencies. The school cannot educate students or provide them with support and assistance if they are absent. Therefore, the Board of Education will require students to attend school regularly to receive the full benefits of an education.

III. Delegation of Authority

A. The Superintendent is directed to develop administrative procedures to implement this policy in accordance with all local policies and local, state and federal laws and regulations and to communicate this policy and accompanying procedures to all relevant parties.

IV. Exceptions

A. There are no exceptions to this policy. However, the Board, by majority vote, may temporarily suspend all or part of this policy. Suspension of all or part of this policy, however, in no way relieves the Board of its obligation to comply with the pertinent local, state and federal laws and regulations or the rules and regulations of the Maryland State Board of Education and the Maryland State Department of Education.

V. Review

A. This policy will be reviewed at the end of four years, or sooner, if approved by majority vote of the Board of Education in public session.

VI. Effective Date

A. This policy is effective July 11, 2024.

Citations

State Law: §7-301 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland

State Reg.: COMAR 13A.08.01.01, 03-.05

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