

CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW BRITAIN

Board Policy Statement 5113.00 - School Attendance

Approved on September 17, 2001

All students enrolled in the Consolidated School District of New Britain are required to attend school on a regular basis. Regular attendance is essential for schools to be effective and a requirement for annual promotion. Regular attendance is the responsibility of parents or guardians. Although parents are legally responsible for ensuring that their children regularly attend school, older students should assume a personal responsibility for regular attendance.

Connecticut Statutes require that "Each parent or other person having control of a child five to 18 years of age shall cause such child to attend a public day school regularly during the hours and times the public school in the District wherein such child resides is in session, or while the school is in session in which provision for the instruction of such child is made according to law, unless the parent or person having control of such child is able to show that the child is elsewhere receiving equivalent instruction in the studies taught in the public schools".

The New Britain Board of Education has established and maintains administrative procedures for all grade levels to guide staff in assisting parents or guardians in meeting their responsibility of ensuring that their children attend school regularly.