

- Serving with the Civil Air Patrol for up to 5 days.
- Approved Educational Related Non-Classroom Activity
- The student or a member of the students household exhibits or participates in the Indiana State Fair for educational purposes.

## **EXCUSED ABSENCES**

An excused absence may be granted for all or part of a day when the parents notify the school within two (2) school days. It is important to note that excused absences are included in the total count towards Chronic Absenteeism (see below).

- Absence due to student's illness or injury with written communication or phone call from parent/guardian or doctor within two (2) school days..
- Absence due to death/funeral in the immediate family.
- Absence of an unusual or emergency nature that is approved by the administration.
- Recognized religious holidays.
- Military Connected Families (Deployment/Return)
- Weather Related
- School Nurse sends the student home.
- College Visits, two (2) per year for 11th and 12th grade students
- School Sanctioned Activities

## **UNEXCUSED ABSENCES**

An unexcused absence is an absence from school that is not reported by a parent/guardian. Unexcused absences are a serious matter and are subject to disciplinary action, including Project Attend and referral to the Indiana Department of Child Services.

- No Note or No Phone Call within two (2) school days.
- Family errands
- Missing the bus
- Family vacation beyond five (5) days.
- Recreation

## **TARDIES**

Tardiness is defined as any unexcused appearance of a student beyond the scheduled time that a class begins. Tardiness is disruptive to the school process and is considered to be a serious matter. A considerable amount of Tardies may result in being addressed by school personnel.

## **HABITUAL TRUANCY AND CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM**

**IC 20-20-8-8** defines Habitual Truancy to include students absent ten (10) days or more from school within a school year without being excused or without being absent under a parental request filed with the school. Chronic Absenteeism includes students absent from school for ten percent or more (18+ days) of a school year for any reason including excused days. Absenteeism is a serious matter and administrative actions and/or discipline may be taken.

In accordance with **IC 20-33-2-11**, KVSC reserves the right to restrict any student who is habitually truant from obtaining a learner's permit until the age of 18 years, or until the student's attendance record has