

HABITUAL TRUANT  
[ISBA Code: 4322]

1. A "Habitual Truant" is defined as a student who has eleven (11) or more days of unexcused absences during any school year.
2. All students who are at least fifteen (15) years of age but less than the age of eighteen (18) years, and who are determined to be a habitual truant per the definition above, are subject to Indiana law, which provides that any person who is determined to be a habitual truant as defined by school board policy cannot be issued an operator's license or learner's permit until the age of 18 years, or until the student's attendance record has improved as determined by the principal upon review of the student's record of at least once per school year.
3. The student's principal may report to the Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles the student's status as a habitual truant.
4. Procedures developed for the administration of this policy shall include provisions for periodic review of all students determined to be habitual truants and their reclassification, when warranted. These procedures will be developed by the Superintendent or designee.
5. The student, upon initial designation of being a habitual truant, is entitled to the same statutory procedures as a student who is being expelled.
6. A student who has been designated as a Habitual Truant will not be allowed to participate or continue to participate in extracurricular activities and/or co-curricular activities.

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