

## STUDENTS

### Student Absences, Excuses, and Tardies

Student absences shall be monitored at the school level, and parents shall make every effort to ensure their student's regular attendance. Absences to be excused are defined in the Code of Behavior. Individual schools may choose to adopt attendance awards for students.

Promptness to class is very important. Students are to be in their seats and ready to work when the bell sounds. Repeated or habitual tardiness encourages the formation of undesirable personal habits and disrupts the orderly instructional process of the school. This requires corrective action. Each principal, in consultation with his/her stakeholders, shall develop a plan to foster student promptness to class.

The Associate Superintendent for Student Learning and Accountability (or designee) is responsible for implementing and monitoring this policy.

The Associate Superintendent for Student Learning and Accountability (or designee) is responsible for reviewing this policy in 2012.

Legal References: Va. Code, Title 22.1, Chapter 14, Article I, §§ 22.1-254, et. seq.

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