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## State Waiver Types - Attendance

This page includes information on state waivers for student attendance. District and campus officials can request waivers for excused absences or reduced attendance rates that are the result of inclement weather, health, safety-related, or other issues. The link below provides information regarding the new automated waiver system process.

### [Automated Waivers Application](#)

## Missed Instructional Days

This waiver allows a district or campus to request a waiver for excused absences if instructional days are missed due to inclement weather, health, safety-related, or other issues. The first two days missed for any reason must be made up. See Student Attendance Accounting Handbook 3.8.2.2. If your district misses additional instructional days beyond the 2 designated makeup days scheduled because of weather, safety, or health issues, **your school district must apply to the TEA for a missed instructional day waiver.**

Charter schools applying for a missed instructional day waiver must submit their applications as soon as possible after the missed instructional day so that FSP System calendars can be updated and FSP System six-week report submissions are accurate.

See **3.3.3 Closures for Bad Weather or Other Issues of Health or Safety** for more information.

## Low Attendance Days *95.5% for 2011-12*

This waiver allows the district or campus to request that any instructional days with attendance at least ten (10) percentage points below the last school year's average attendance due to inclement weather, health, safety-related, or other issues be excused from ADA calculations for the current school year. See Student Attendance Accounting Handbook 3.8.2.3. On a day when school was held but attendance was at least 10 percentage points below the overall attendance rate of your district (or campus) for the prior year because of weather-related or health or safety issues, the day may be excused for FSP funding purposes. For audit purposes, specific written TEA approval is required for the day to be excluded from the ADA calculations. Your district must send documentation of low attendance for the day (including the reason for the low attendance rate) and the prior year's attendance report (showing the average for the year) for your district or campus to the State Waivers Unit for waiver approval.

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