# Three Rivers School District

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# **COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE**

Except when exempt by Oregon law, all students between ages 7–6 and 18 who have not completed the 12<sup>th</sup> grade are required to regularly attend regularly, a public full-time school full-time during the entire school term.

All students five or six years of age who have been enrolled in a public school are required to attend regularly while enrolled in the public school.

Persons having legal control of a student between the ages 7–6 and 18, who has not completed the 12<sup>th</sup> grade, are required to have the student attend and maintain the child in regular attendance during the entire school term. Persons having legal control of a student, who is five er six years of age and has enrolled the student child in a public school, are required to have the student attend and maintain the child in regular attendance during the school term.

Under the superintendent's direction and supervision, aAttendance supervisors shall monitor and report any violation of the compulsory attendance law to the Superintendent or designee. Failure to send a student and to maintain a student in regular attendance is a Class C violation—and is punishable by a citation up to \$180.

The district will develop procedures for issuing a citation.

A parent who is not supervising his/her student by requiring school attendance may also be in violation of Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 163.577(1)(c). Failing to supervise a child is a Class A-violation and is punishable by a fine up to \$720.

In addition, under Board policy *JHFDA* – *Suspension of Driving Priviloges*, the district may report students with 10 consecutive days of unexcused absence or 15 cumulative days unexcused absence in a single semester to the Oregon Department of Transportation.

## **Exemptions from Compulsory School Attendance**

In the following cases, students shall not be required to attend public, schools full-time schools:

- 1. Students being taught in a private or parochial school in courses of study usually taught in grades 4-12 kindergarten through grade 12 in the public schools, and in attendance for a period equivalent to that required of students attending public schools.
- Students proving to the Board's satisfaction that they have acquired equivalent knowledge to that
  acquired in the courses of study taught in grades 1-12 kindergarten through grade 12 in the public
  schools;.
- 3. Students who have received a high school diploma or modified diploma;
- 4. Students being taught, by a private teacher, the courses of study usually taught in grades 1-12 kindergarten through grade 12 in the public school for a period equivalent to that required of students attending public schools.

- 5. Students being educated in the home by a parent or guardian;:
  - a) When a student is taught or is withdrawn from a public school to be taught by a parent or private teacher, the parent or teacher must notify the Southern Oregon Education Service District (SOESD) in writing within 10 days of such occurrence. In addition, when a home-schooled student moves to a new ESD, the parent shall notify the new ESD in writing, within 10 days, of the intent to continue home schooling. The ESD superintendent shall acknowledge receipt of any notification in writing within 90 days of receipt of the notification. The ESD is to notify, at least annually, school districts of home-schooled students who reside in their district;
- 6. Children whose sixth birthday occurred on or before September 1 immediately preceding the beginning of the current school year, if the parent or guardian notified the child's resident district in writing that the parent or guardian is delaying the enrollment of their child for one school year to better meet the child's needs for cognitive, social or physical development, as determined by the parent or guardian.
- 7. Children who are present in the United States on a nonimmigrant visa and who are attending a private, accredited English language learner program in preparation for attending a private high school or college.
- 8. Students excluded from attendance as provided by law.
- 9. An exemption may be granted to the parent or guardian of any student 16 or 17 years of age who is lawfully employed full-time, or who is lawfully employed part-time and enrolled in school, a community college or an alternative education program as defined in ORS 336.615.
- 10. An exemption may be granted to any child who is an emancipated minor or who has initiated the procedure for emancipation under ORS 419B.550 to 419B.558.

## **END OF POLICY**

## Legal Reference(s):

ORS 153.018 OAR 581-021-0026
ORS 163.577 OAR 581-021-0029
ORS 336.615-336.665 OAR 581-021-0071
ORS 339.010-339.090 OAR 581-021-0077
ORS 339.095 SB 321 (2015)

ORS 339.990 ORS 339.257

ORS 419B.550 to 419B.558

ORS 807.065 ORS 807.066 <del>ORS 809.410 (40)</del>