

## **ATTENDANCE POLICY**

School is preparation for future life. It is important that habits of regular attendance be developed. Regular attendance establishes a pattern of responsibility and commitment that will serve students throughout their lives, including post-high school education and the workplace.

Because of the importance of regular attendance to each student's educational program, the school board declares it to be their policy that students shall be in school every day that school is in session. The only exception shall be when student's absence is requested by the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) for normal and reasonable circumstances.

State and Tribal Law requires attendance for all children under the age of eighteen (18) unless excused because of a physical or mental condition. The maximum allowable number of absences from school is ten (10) per school year.

Each building shall develop procedures to encourage regular attendance and discourage excessive and unreasonable absenteeism.

Tribal: RSTLOC 3-1-2; 5-2-1; 5-8-3 RSTO 2007-09 V.F and VII.A

State: SDCL §13-3-84; §13-8-39.2; §13-26-1; §13-26-2; §13-27-1; §13-27-2; §13-27-3; §13-27-3.1; §13-27-3.2; §13-27-3.3; §13-27-3.4; §13-27-6; §13-27-6.1; §13-27-7; §13-27-8; §13-27-9; §13-27-11; §13-27-12; §13-27-16; §13-27-17; §13-27-18; §13-27-19; §13-27-20; §13-27-21; §13-27-23; §13-27-28; §13-27-29; §13-28-1.1; §13-28-2; §13-28-4; §13-28-4.1; §13-28-7.1; §13-28-7.3; §13-32-1; §13-33-6.1; §22-1-8; §22-6-2; §26-8B-2; §26-15-1 et seq.

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