## ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENT

Regular school attendance is a critical factor for a student's success in learning and making progress toward graduation. Research indicates academic success and school completion are dependent upon a strong relationship with consistent school attendance.

Attendance at school is not only important, it is the law. Excessive absences and/or tardies from school may constitute a violation of Oregon Compulsory Education Law and District Policy. Oregon Revised Statute 339.020 states that every parent is directed to ensure that their child attends school regularly.

Students are expected to attend all periods of all days and should be called in for an excused absence. If they are consistently absent for any class or over a period of three full days there will be contact made with parents.

OCSD defines habitual absences as "a student whose combined excused and unexcused absences exceed 8% of all school days year to date".

## Excused Absences

Excused absences are defined as one of the following:

- Illness or injury of the student
- Illness or death in the family
- Family emergency of an unforeseen nature
- Medical or dental appointment for a student that cannot be made outside of the school day and can be verified, except in the case of an emergency
- Obligatory religious observances of the student's own faith
- Subpoenaed court appearance
- Participation in a school approved student activity or a district approved function
- Absences of 3 or more days must be pre approved by the Principal. Forms are available in the office.

## Unexcused Absences

Any absence for reasons other than those listed above and any absence without parent knowledge and prior arrangement with school officials shall be considered an "unexcused" absence.

My signature indicates that I have received, read, and understand the information included in this document.

Student's Name

Student's Signature

Parent/Guardian's Signature

Relationship to student if last names are different



Date