

## 5200 ATTENDANCE (M)

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The Board of Trustees requires the pupils enrolled in the schools of this school attend school regularly in accordance with the laws of the State. The educational program offered by this school is predicated on the presence of the pupil and requires continuity of instruction and classroom participation. The regular contact of pupils with one another in the classroom and their participation in a well-planned instructional activity under the tutelage of a competent teacher are vital to this purpose.

Attendance at school may be excused for certain absences as defined by the Board. All absences for reasons other than excused, shall be unexcused.

Pupils absent from school for any reason are responsible for the completion of assignments missed because of their absence. No pupil excused for a religious holiday shall be deprived of an award or eligibility to compete for an award or the opportunity to make up a test given on the religious holiday.

Prolonged or repeated absences, excused or unexcused, from school or from class, deprive the pupil of the classroom experience deemed essential to learning and may result in retention at grade level

The Executive Director shall calculate and monitor the average daily attendance rate for the school and for each school in the school. Whenever the average daily attendance rate for the school or for a school in the school does not meet the New Jersey Department of Education requirements, the Executive Director or designee shall develop performance objectives to improve pupil attendance pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:32-12.2(a)3.

N.J.S.A. 18A:36-14 et seq.; 18A:38-25 et seq.  
N.J.S.A. 34:2-21.1 et seq.  
N.J.A.C. 6A:16-7.8

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