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School Attendance Policy

Elementary school students in year-long courses, which meet every day, may have no more than eight unexcused absences to be considered for promotion.

Below is a copy of the Compulsory School Attendance Law, for your review. Also, excessive tardies will be referred to the attendance specialist.

Please communicate with school attendance personnel if your child is absent to avoid procedures. A written notice should accompany the student upon return to school.

TEC Sec. 25.085. Compulsory School Attendance

(a) A child who is required to attend school under this section shall attend school each day for the entire period the program of instruction is provided.
(b) On enrollment in pre-kindergarten or kindergarten, a child shall attend School.
(c) Unless specifically exempted by Section 25.086, a student enrolled in a school district must attend an extended year program for which the student is eligible that is provided by the district for students identified as likely not to be promoted to the next grade level or tutorial classes required by the district under Section 29.085.

TEC Sec. 25.095. Warning Notice

If a student is absent without an excuse for ten (10) or more days or parts of a days in a six month period or three (3) or ore days or parts of days in a four-week period:
   (a) The student’s parent is subject to prosecution under Section 25.093.; and
   (b) The student is subject to prosecution under Section 25.094.

An offense under these sections is a Class C misdemeanor. Each day the child remains out of school after the warning has been given/sent or the child has been ordered to attend school by the juvenile court may constitute a separate offense. Your child’s school attendance is immediately required.

I have received a copy of this letter.

Parent/Guardian ___________ Date ___________