

JUNCTION CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

POLICY: COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE

CODE: JEA

1. Except when exempt by Oregon law, all students between ages 6 and 18 who have not completed the 12th grade are required to regularly attend a public full-time school during the entire school term.
2. All students 5 years of age who have been enrolled in a public school are required to attend regularly while enrolled in the public school.
3. Persons having legal control of a student between the ages 6 and 18, who has not completed the 12th grade, are required to have the student attend and maintain the child in regular attendance during the school term. Persons having legal control of a student who is 5 years of age and who have enrolled the child in a public school, are required to have the student attend and maintain the child in regular attendance during the school term.
4. Under the superintendent's direction and supervision, building principals shall monitor and report any violation of the compulsory attendance law. Failure to send a student and maintain a student in regular attendance is a Class C violation. The District will develop procedures for issuing a citation.
5. A parent/guardian 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). Failure to supervise a child is a Class A violation.
6. Exemptions from Compulsory School Attendance - In the following cases, students shall not be required to attend public schools full-time:
 - 6.1 Students being taught in a private or parochial school in courses of study usually taught in kindergarten through grade 12 in the public schools, and in attendance for a period equivalent to that required of students attending public schools.
 - 6.2 Students proving to the School Board's satisfaction that they have acquired equivalent knowledge to that acquired in the courses of study taught in kindergarten through grade 12 in the public schools.
 - 6.3 Students being taught, by a private teacher, the courses of study usually taught in kindergarten through grade 12 in the public school for a period equivalent to that required of students attending public schools.
 - 6.4 Students being educated in the home by a parent.
 - 6.4.1 When a student is taught or is withdrawn from a public school to be taught by a parent or private teacher, the parent or teacher must notify the Lane Education Service District (ESD) in writing within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 homeschooling. The ESD is to notify, at least annually, school districts of home-schooled students who reside in their district.
 - 6.4.2 Each students being taught by a parent or private teacher shall be examined no later than August 15, following grades 3, 5, 8, and 10:
 - 6.4.2.1 If the student was withdrawn from public school, the first examination shall be administered at least 18 months after the date the student withdrew;

6.4.2.2 If the student never attended public or private school, the first examination shall be administered prior to the end of grade 3;

6.4.2.3 Procedures for home-schooled students with disabilities are set out in Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 581-021-0029.

6.5 Students excluded from attendance as provided by law.

6.6 An exemption may be granted to the parent, guardian, or a person in parental relationship 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.

END OF POLICY

Legal References:	ORS 153.018	ORS 163.577	ORS 336.615-665	ORS 339.010-090
	ORS 339.095	ORS 339.990	ORS 807.065	
	ORS 807.066	OAR 581-021-0026	OAR 581-021-0029	OAR 581-021-0071
	OAR 581-021-0077	SB 321 (2015)		

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