

STUDENT ABSENCES AND EXCUSES

Regular and punctual patterns of attendance will be required of each student enrolled in the Laconia School District as required in RSA 193:1. Building principals are responsible for developing Parent/Student Handbooks, which will include rules regarding student absences. Excused absences have parent/guardian permission. Absent students not having parent/guardian permission are considered as being truant (unexcused). Habitual truancy has changed in definition consistent with HB 154 from 20 half days to 10 half days of unexcused absence. Half day of absence is delineated by either morning or afternoon (AM/PM) as stated in regular school hours. These rules will apply to all students.

The school administration may utilize the court system through a CHINS Petition to maintain regular and punctual patterns of attendance for students as required in RSA 193:1.

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