

District Absence Policy

Accordingly, Illinois School Code 105 ILCS 5/26-1 Compulsory Attendance states that a child must “**attend some public school in the district wherein the child resides the entire time it is in session during the regular school term**” except for the following valid reasons: illness, observance of a religious holiday, death in the immediate family, family emergency, and shall include such other situations beyond the control of the student as determined by the board of education in each district, or such circumstances which cause reasonable concern to the parent for the safety or health of the student.

In accordance with the Illinois School Code family vacations or trips **do not** constitute a “valid cause” for an absence and should, therefore, be listed as an unexcused absence.

All buildings must enforce and follow the Illinois School Code. Therefore, absences will be adjudged by the Building Administrator to be excused or unexcused.

Excused Absences include:

1. Personal illness
2. Death in the family
3. Religious holiday
4. Family emergency

Unexcused Absences include:

1. Oversleeping
2. Transportation problems
3. Business that could be held outside the school day
4. Vacations

Credit will not be granted for work missed during an unexcused absence.