

POLICY JHD

Board of Education Las Cruces Public Schools

Related Entries: JHD-RA

Responsible Office: Associate Superintendent for Instruction

Exclusions and Exemptions from School Attendance

I. PURPOSE

The Board of Education recognizes that daily class attendance by school age persons at all grade levels is an essential component in the learning process, in the development of self discipline, and in preparation for post-secondary training, education and employment. Daily class attendance is a requirement of the New Mexico Compulsory School Attendance Law, NMSA 1978 22-22-12-1.

II. POSITION

Schools shall comply with the Compulsory School Attendance Law. Unless excused by the Law, all school age persons subject to the Law shall attend school until attaining the age of majority (18 years of age) for at least the length of time of the school year that is established in the district.

III. GUIDELINES

Any qualified student and any person who, because of his age, is eligible to become a qualified student shall be excused from remaining in school until attaining the age of majority (18 years of age) if:

- A. The person is specifically exempted by law;
- B. The person has graduated from a high school;
- C. The person is at least eighteen years of age and has been excused by the board or its authorized representative upon finding that the person will be employed in a gainful trade or occupation or engaged in an alternative form of education sufficient for the person's educational needs and the parent consents or;
- D. with the consent of the parent/guardian of the minor child, the Superintendent of Schools excuses the student from the provisions of the Law.

III. REVIEW

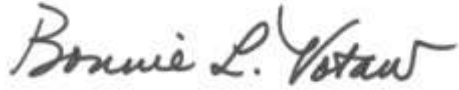
This policy shall be reviewed on an ongoing basis in accordance with the Board of Education policy review process.

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History JHD-RA, 2006 , LCPS 300-5

Legal Reference: 22-8-2 through 22-12-2, NMSA 1978, 22-22-12-1

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