

Administrative Regulation

Absences, Authorization for Pupils to Be Excused from School for Justifiable Personal Reasons

A pupil shall be excused from school (not for apportionment purposes) for justifiable personal reasons, including but not limited to, an appearance in court, observance of a holiday or ceremony of his or her religion, or attendance at a funeral service, religious retreat, employment conference, or an educational conference on the legislative or judicial process offered by a nonprofit organization when the pupil's absence has been requested in writing by the parent or guardian and approved by the principal or a designated representative.

A pupil absent from school under this section shall be allowed to complete all assignments and tests missed during the absence which can be reasonably provided and, upon satisfactory completion, shall be given full credit therefor. The teacher of the class from which a pupil is absent shall determine which tests and assignments shall be reasonably equivalent to, but not necessarily identical to, the tests and assignments that the pupil missed during the absence.

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