

Compulsory Attendance Laws

- If a student has a total of 5 unexcused absences, a “compulsory attendance law letter” must be sent to the parent. State Law 49-3-3007 (e) 1,2,3
- If a student continues to be absent 3 days from the date of the compulsory attendance laws letter, then a petition for truancy may be filed. State law 49-6-3007 (e) 1,2,3
- If a student missed 10 consecutive or 15 total unexcused absences during any semester, the school must send a letter to the State Department of Transportation (driver’s license revoked) State Law 49-6-3017 (f)

In accordance with new state attendance guidelines, Williamson County Schools has implemented a Progressive Truancy Intervention Plan to monitor student attendance. Parents will be notified as unexcused absences accumulate to proactively help with truancy concerns.

- o 3 unexcused absences - Parents will receive a phone call regarding unexcused absences.
- o 5 unexcused absences - The principal/principal's designee will schedule a meeting with the student, parent(s), and school team members to provide needed supports while creating an attendance contract to monitor progress.
- o If the student continues to accumulate unexcused absences, a school-based truancy board will evaluate progress