

EXEMPTIONS AND EXCLUSIONS FROM ATTENDANCE**Exemptions**

Each student between the ages of 6 and 18 shall be subject to compulsory full-time education. However, the Superintendent or designee may grant exemptions from compulsory attendance to students as allowed by law and in the best interest of the student. Parents/guardians of students granted exemptions shall not incur penalties for violations of the compulsory attendance laws. Exemptions shall not be used to remove a student from the school for disciplinary purposes.

Requests for exemption from compulsory full-time attendance must include satisfactory evidence of conditions upon which an exemption can be legally justified.

A student may be exempted from full-time attendance in the District's regular education program if the student:

1. Is being instructed in a private full-time school and the Superintendent or designee verifies that the private school complies with Education Code 33190.
2. Is being instructed by a tutor who holds a valid State credential for the grade taught. The instruction shall consist of study and recitation for at least three hours a day for 175 days of each calendar year.
3. Holds a work permit to work temporarily in the entertainment or allied industries.
4. Holds a work permit and attends part-time classes.
5. Is between the ages of 12 and 18 and enters a school attendance area from another state within 10 days of the end of the school term, with the exemption applicable for the remainder of the term.
6. Students who have graduated from a public or private high school maintaining a four-year course above the eighth grade.
7. Students who have successfully demonstrated proficiency equal to or greater than standards established by the State Department of Education and have verified approval submitted by their parent/guardian.

Students may be excluded from attendance at District schools if the student:

1. Is under the legal age of attendance, except as otherwise provided by law.
2. Does not present evidence of immunization from certain infectious diseases as required by law.
3. Is reasonably suspected of having active tuberculosis.

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4. Is infected with any contagious or infectious disease
5. Resides where any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease subject to quarantine exists or has recently existed shall not be permitted to attend school without written permission of the health officer.
6. Has not been immunized against certain infectious diseases required by law when other children enrolled in the school have the infectious diseases unless provided written permission of the health officer.
7. Has not had a health screening before or within the first 90 days of attending first grade. Such a student may be excluded for up to five days unless the parent/guardian has presented an appropriate waiver or the District has exempted the student from this requirement in accordance with law.
8. The student has an undiagnosed rash, open sores or untreated open wounds, or has a fever of 100.4° F or higher, without fever reducing medication, for at least 24 hours.

Notifications to Parents/Guardians

Superintendent or designee shall send a notice to the student's parent/guardian stating the facts leading to the exclusion. The Superintendent or designee is not required to send prior notice of exclusion to the parent/guardian if the student is excluded because:

1. The student resides in an area subject to quarantine.
2. The student is exempt from a medical examination but suffers from a contagious or infectious disease.
3. The Superintendent or designee determines that the presence of the student would constitute a clear and present danger to the life, safety, or health of students or school personnel.

However, the Superintendent or designee shall send a notice as soon as reasonably possible after the exclusion.

The Superintendent or designee shall, at least annually, review its decisions to exclude students.