



Esgenoôpetitj School Attendance Policy

Chronic student absence reduces even the best teacher's ability to provide learning opportunities. Students who attend school regularly have been shown to achieve at higher levels than students who do not have regular attendance. Because of this Esgenoôpetitj School follows the following attendance guidelines.

5 + days of unexcused absences:

- Communication from Teacher or the Safe Arrival Coordinator through phone/messenger or email to parent/guardian.
- Message needs to be one that regardless of absence reason, missing school affects student success.
- Share the attendance policy so next steps are clear.
- Invite parent to reach out if anything can be done at the school level to support the child or family.
- Teacher/Safe Arrival Coordinator informs school administration of contact.

10 + Days of unexcused absences

- Teacher will inform administration via email when a student in their class is absent 10 or more days.
- Communication from school administrator (email, phone call and/or letter) to parent/guardian.
- Contact with Child and Family may also be considered at this point.
- Parent/guardian will be asked to either attend a meeting or sign a copy of the agreed upon plan.
- Administration, with the support of other relevant staff, in addition to the student and parent/guardian, will develop a student attendance intervention plan.

15 + days of unexcused absences

- If a student continues to be absent after all appropriate interventions have been made, this student is, in effect, non-compliant with school rules,
- Student may remain home until a meeting/case conference is held with parents/guardians,
- Members of school administration, Child and Family, and teaching staff will explore further interventions,
- Interventions may include alternate education scheduling and/or Programming options for the student,
- Teacher will inform school administration via email when a student is absent 20 or more days,