

TRUANCY

Absent students not having parent/guardian permission are considered as being truant (unexcused). Habitual truancy has changed in definition consistent with HB 154 from 20 half days to 10 half days of unexcused absence. Half day of absence is delineated by either morning or afternoon (AM/PM) as stated in regular school hours. When a student has an unexcused absence from school the following actions will be taken:

- The Attendance Coordinator/School Resource Officer will be called to pick the child up if his/her location is known.
- Parents are notified.
- Administrators assign consequences consistent with the action. Generally, this will result in a detention or an in-school suspension.

Habitual truancy results in the following:

- a. Parent conference with the administrator
- b. Administrators reports multiple truanancies to DCYF/Police
- c. Administrator files a CHINS petition

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