# Oregon Trail School District 46

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#### Student Absences and Excuses

It is the responsibility of students and their parents to ensure students maintain regular attendance in all assigned classes. Regular attendance means attendance at 90% or above for every 9 week period during which school is in session. If a student's illness impacts regular attendance as defined, a doctor's note will be required to excuse your student upon return. Absence from school or class will be excused under the following circumstances:

- 1. Illness of the student;
- 2. Illness of an immediate family member when the student's presence at home is necessary;
- 3. Emergency situations that require the student's absence;
- 4. School Field trips and school-approved activities;
- 5. Medical (dental) appointments when confirmed by the parent.

Students shall be responsible for all content missed during absences, and shall be given a reasonable period of time to demonstrate understanding of content missed. Credit will be allowed for significant long-term assignments, but unexcused absences that reflect daily assignments will be accepted only at the teacher's discretion.

No excused absence shall be counted against a student in determining exclusion, failure or reduction of grades. Students shall be given an equal number of school days to make up any tests and assignments a student misses because of an excused absence.

Students may be excused on a limited basis from a particular preplanned classroom activity or from selected portions of the established curriculum on the basis of personal, religious or ethnic considerations.

A student who is excused must still fulfill the school's requirements.

The Attendance Office will send notification each semester/trimester to parents concerning student absences. State Law (OAR 581-023-0006 (11)(c)) requires that students who accumulate a maximum of 10 consecutive days of absence be withdrawn from school. Attendance is compulsory and applies to all students ages 7-18 who have not completed the 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Students missing more than 10% of regularly scheduled school days may be retained, repeat a course or be denied credit unless the student can demonstrate mastery of the academic content standards.

## END OF POLICY

## **Legal Reference(s):**

ORS 109.056	OAR 581-021-0046
ORS 339.030	OAR 581-021-0050
ORS 339.065	OAR 581-023-0006 (11)
ORS 339.420	

#### **Cross Reference(s):**

IGBHD - Program Exemptions