

COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The School District of Beloit believes that regular attendance at school is essential for the academic success of every student. The school district is committed to a strong partnership between the home, school and community to ensure the regular attendance of all students.

In accordance with state law, all children who reside within the boundaries of the district and are between five(5) and eighteen(18) years of age must attend school full-time until the end of the term, quarter, or semester in which they become eighteen(18) years of age, unless: excused for physical or psychological reasons upon the written recommendation of persons designated under state law;

1. excused for reasons outlined in the district's student attendance procedures;
2. excused because of a board-approved program or curriculum modification;
3. attending an approved private or parochial school or home-based private educational program; or
4. graduated from high school.

All students who are enrolled in a four year old kindergarten program will also attend school in accordance with the provisions stated above.

Legal responsibility for school attendance rests with the parent/guardian and with the student. If the parent/guardian does not provide appropriate notification and documentation of their student's absence, it will be assumed that the student is truant. The principal has the authority to approve or deny any request to be absent and/or leave the building during school hours.

The District shall establish regulations pertaining to attendance, absence, tardiness, and the basis for excused absences. Each principal shall disseminate the regulations to students and parents/guardians at the beginning of each school year.

The School District of Beloit does not discriminate against pupils on the basis of sex, race, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental emotional, or learning disability in its educational programs and activities or in its standards or rules of behavior or disciplinary measures, including suspensions and expulsions.

LEGAL REF.:	WI s.s. 118.125	Pupil Records
	118.15	Compulsory School Attendance
	118.153	Children at Risk
	118.16	School Attendance Enforcement
	118.162	Truancy Committee and Plan
	118.165	Private Schools

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