

STUDENTS

ATTENDANCE – Compulsory School Age

Children between the ages of seven and sixteen shall attend public school unless:

1. The child attends a private or parochial school;
2. The child is physically or mentally unable to attend school. The child's physical or mental disability must be certified to the ROE or county truant officer by a competent physician or by a Christian Science practitioner residing in this State and listed in the Christian Science Journal;
3. The child is excused for temporary absence for cause by the principal or teacher;
4. The child is necessarily and lawfully employed according to provisions of the law regulating child labor;
5. The child is over 12 and under 14 years of age and attending confirmation classes; or
6. The child is unable to attend on a particular day or days or at a particular time of the day because the tenets of his or her religion forbid secular activity on such day(s) or at such time.

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