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Compulsory Attendance Notices and Citations**

Compulsory attendance citations may be issued by the superintendent or designee as a means to enforce the compulsory attendance law. All such citations shall be issued according to the following procedures:

1. Building Administrator

The building administrator or designee shall:

- a. Determine that the parent or guardian has failed to enroll their child and to maintain the child in regular attendance. "Regular attendance" means attendance which does not include more than eight unexcused one-half day absences or the equivalent in any four-week period in which school is in session;
- b. Provide written compulsory attendance noncompliance notification to the parent or guardian within 24 hours of verification of the violation. If the student is a youth offender on parole or probation, at the same time notice is given to the parent or other person, the building administrator shall notify the student's parole or probation officer of the absence;
- c. Serve the notification personally or by certified mail. The notification will be written in the native language of the parent or guardian;
- d. Ensure that notification includes a statement requiring the student to appear on the next school day following receipt of the notice and to maintain regular attendance for the remainder of the school year;
- e. Ensure that the notification states that the parent or guardian has the right to request an evaluation to determine if the child should have an individualized education program (IEP), if the child does not currently have an IEP, or request a review of their child's current IEP;
- f. Provide a copy of the notice and pertinent attendance records to the superintendent or designee at the time notice is given to the parent or guardian;
- g. Notify the superintendent within three days of knowledge that the parent or guardian receiving the notification has not complied with the notice.

2. Superintendent or Designee

The superintendent or designee will:

- a. If after review of attendance records a citation appears warranted, prior to issuing the citation, provide written notification to the parent or guardian. The notice will be written in the language the parent or guardian can understand. The notice will be delivered personally or by certified mail and will state that:

- (1) The student is required to attend regularly, a school full-time during the school year;

- (2) A citation for violation of compulsory attendance laws may be issued by the superintendent or designee;
- (3) The parent has the right to request:
 - (a) An evaluation to determine if the student should have an IEP, if the student does not have one; or
 - (b) A review of the student's current IEP.
- (4) The parent or guardian and student are required to attend a conference with the superintendent or designee. The date, time and place of conference will be specified. This conference may not be scheduled until after an evaluation or review as described in item 4. above, if requested by the parent, has been completed;

3. Conference

The superintendent or designee will conduct a conference with the parent or guardian and student. Auxiliary aids and services will be provided upon advance request. The superintendent or designee will:

- a. Review Oregon's compulsory attendance law and the student's attendance record;
- b. Determine the reasons for the noncompliance;
- c. Develop a plan for student attendance improvement (i.e., contract, etc.);
- d. Inform the parent and student of other available resources in the district and community, if available;
- e. Discuss the potential consequences for continued compulsory attendance noncompliance, including the potential for the issuance of a citation and the consequences for violation of the Board's student conduct and truancy policies.

4. Citation

Compulsory attendance noncompliance citations may be issued by the superintendent or designee. The superintendent or designee shall:

- a. Determine that the parent or guardian has continued to fail to enroll their student in school or maintain the student in regular attendance following a conference or has refused to attend the conference as required;
- b. Contact the clerk of the court for the county and determine which court will hear the case and when;
- c. Ensure the official representing the district will be available to present evidence of the violation at the time and date specified;
- d. Determine whether the local court's interpretation of Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 339.095 requires the student be named as defendant. Complete form accordingly;
- e. Complete Uniform Compulsory Attendance Citation and Complaint form as follows:
 - (1) Specify appropriate court, district, circuit, municipal or justice;
 - (2) Specify when the court will hear the case, including date, time and location of the court appearance at the bottom of the form;
 - (3) Provide all pertinent defendant information, including the name and address of the parent or guardian. Only one adult should be named as the defendant;

- (4) Provide all pertinent offense information, including the period of time during which the absences occurred;
 - (5) Ensure the minimum number of absences constituting irregular attendance as defined in law has in fact occurred. Excused absences should not be counted for purposes of this citation;
 - (6) Provide all pertinent student information including the grade, date of birth, length of time in the district and parent(s) name(s);
 - (7) Provide date of superintendent's or designee's prior notification of attendance requirements, consequences including possibility of citation and conference meeting date was sent;
 - (8) Ensure that the prior notice was served to the same parent or guardian who is named as the defendant in the citation;
 - (9) Provide district name, date, superintendent's name and signature. If the superintendent has designated another district official to issue citations, such delegation will be documented and the delegated official's name and signature will appear on the form;
 - (10) Personally serve (not mail) the citation;
 - (11) Complete time and date citation was issued, name, title and signature of district official serving the citation;
 - (12) Ensure the parent or guardian is provided the citation;
 - (13) Ensure the designated court is appropriately notified immediately after the citation is served;
 - (14) Ensure the district retains a copy of the citation;
 - (15) Consult with district's attorney to assist in these procedures, as necessary.
- f. Maintain student attendance records in accordance with applicable education records laws.

REYNOLDS SCHOOL DISTRICT
1204 NE 201st Ave, Fairview, OR 97024-9642
Phone: 503-661-7200

***** NONENROLLMENT NOTICE *****

Date _____
Parent(s)/Guardian _____
Address _____

Dear _____,
(Parent/Guardian)

After review of attendance records, your child, _____, (name) is not exempted from compulsory attendance for school, under provisions of ORS 339.030, and is not currently enrolled in school.

In accordance with Oregon law, children ages 6 through 18 must be enrolled in school. Please enroll your child at [name of school] no later than the next school day following receipt of this notice and maintain your student in regular attendance for the remainder of the school year.

You may request an evaluation to determine if your child should have an individualized education program (IEP), or request a review of your student's current IEP.

[If your child is taught by a parent, guardian or private teacher, you must notify your local education service district and comply with ORS 339.035. Your local ESD is: [name of ESD and contact information].]

If you have questions and/or need assistance, please contact [name] at [number].

Sincerely,

Building Administrator

cc: Principal/Superintendent

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***** IRREGULAR ATTENDANCE NOTICE *****

Date _____
Parent(s)/Guardian _____
Address _____

Dear _____,
(Parent/Guardian)

After review of attendance records, your child, _____, (name) is not maintaining regular attendance as required by ORS 339.065. "Regular attendance" is defined by Oregon law as attendance which does not include more than eight unexcused one-half day absences or the equivalent in any four-week period school is in session. According to attendance records, your child has had unexcused absences from school [] days on the following dates: [].

Please send your child to school no later than the next school day following receipt of this notice and maintain your student in regular attendance for the remainder of the school year.

You may request an evaluation to determine if your child should have an individualized education program (IEP), or request a review of your child's current IEP. If you request an evaluation for an IEP or a review of a current IEP the conference referred to above will be held after such evaluation or review.

[If your child is taught by a parent, guardian or private teacher, you must notify your local education service district and comply with ORS 339.035. Your local ESD is: [name of ESD and contact information].]

If you have questions and/or need assistance, please contact [name] at [number].

Sincerely,

Building Administrator

cc: Principal/Superintendent

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***** SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTICE OF COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE NONCOMPLIANCE *****

Date _____
Parent(s)/Guardian _____
Address _____

Dear _____,
(Parent/Guardian)

According to district records, you were notified by the building administrator on (date) _____ that your child, (name) _____, is not yet enrolled in school or is not maintaining regular school attendance as required by Oregon compulsory attendance laws.

Your child was required to appear in school no later than the next school day following your receipt of the notice and maintain regular attendance for the remainder of the school year. District records indicate your student continues to be absent from school. A child is required to regularly attend a full-time school.

The superintendent or designee may issue a citation for your continued violation of Oregon's compulsory attendance law.

You [may request an evaluation of your child's individualized education program (IEP) or a review of your child's current IEP.] [requested an evaluation to determine if your child should have an individualized education program (IEP).] [[requested a review of an existing IEP for your child] and the requested evaluation or review was completed on [date].]

In accordance with law, you and your child are required to attend a conference with [designated school official] on (date) _____ at (time) _____ to discuss:

1. Oregon's compulsory attendance law and your student's attendance record;
2. The reasons for your noncompliance;
3. The development of a plan for improvement;
4. Resources available to help your child be successful in school, referrals to other agencies as may be needed and such alternative education information as may be required by law;
5. Any questions you may have concerning the potential consequences for continued noncompliance with Oregon's compulsory attendance law, as set forth above and as provided in Board student conduct and truancy policies.

Failure to attend this conference or to maintain your child in regular school attendance following this conference will result in the issuance of a citation to you, as provided by law.

[If your child is taught by a parent, guardian or private teacher, you must notify your local education service district and comply with ORS 339.035. Your local ESD is: [name of ESD and contact information].]

If you have questions and/or need assistance, please contact (name) _____ at (number) _____.

Sincerely,

Superintendent/Designee