

Attendance Policy 5 days per semester may be excused by parent notes (Unless the student is under a Catoosa County Attendance Review Team Contract); Court appearances, Doctor/Nurse notes for absences are accepted; Administrators may use discretion in special circumstances; Students volunteering as a Poll Officer during primary or general election will be excused. If your child is absent because of any of the above reasons, call the school to report why your child is absent and when the child will return to school. All students must present a written excuse from a parent or doctor upon return to school. Parent notes must be turned in by ten school days. Students who are absent from school will not be permitted to participate in extracurricular activities on the day absent. All doctor notes should be specific regarding dates when students are physically unable to attend school. The elementary and middle schools will require doctor notes for excessive absences. The school, and or school counselor or school social worker may investigate excessive absences if they believe the situations warrant such an investigation to promote the education, health, and safety of the student. In order for middle school and high school students to be counted present, the student must be present in each class for 50 percent of the time of each class; this policy is for the purpose of end-of-semester exams." Dental excuses will only be accepted for the time of the appointment. Dental appointments requiring more than a reasonable amount of time will necessitate a dentist's note stating what was required. When your child does return to school, please send a note, signed by one of the parents, explaining the cause of the absence. When a parent finds it necessary for a student to be out of school for a 'justified' reason based upon circumstances, a prior written request may be submitted to the school administration for consideration. While the absences may be unexcused, the administrator may grant permission for work to be made up that would affect a course/subject grade for passing.