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Truancy is an unexcused absence which indicates a willful and premeditated violation of the school's attendance policy. In the case of any truancy, the school principal or his/her designee shall notify the students parents or guardian and will be available for a conference with the student and his parents/guardian.

On the third offense, the student may be suspended or placed on probation, pending a conference with the student's parents/guardian and the school principal or his/her designee. Additional offenses will cause the student to be classified as a habitual truant.

The principal or his/her designee involved shall be designated "truant officers."

Each school will develop procedures to deal with truant students.

## **Habitual Truant**

A habitual truant is defined by law as any child with five or more unexcused absences in any one school year. In accordance with the law, if the Board determines that a child is a habitual truant, the county attorney shall be so notified who shall then initiate proceedings in the interest of the child under the Juvenile Court Act.

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