

Attendance Information

Research clearly shows a strong relationship exists between a student's attendance in school and a student's achievement in school. Therefore, it is essential that the school staff and the parents work closely together to ensure that students attend school regularly.

The Texas Education Code (Section 25.092) states that a student must attend at least 90 percent of the days the class is offered. Students who do not meet this requirement will not be granted credit for the course or grade level. The A.I.S.D. school calendar has **87** days of instruction in the fall semester and **93** days of instruction in the spring semester. Therefore, in order to gain credit for the course, a student must attend at least **78** days of school in the fall and at least **84** days of school in the spring.

A student who misses more days than allowed because of extenuating circumstances may appeal the loss of credit to the A.I.S.D. District Attendance Committee, which meets at the end of each semester. Extenuating circumstances include the following:

- ◆ personal or family illness,
- ◆ death in the family,
- ◆ medical appointments,
- ◆ involvement in school activities,
- ◆ hazardous travel conditions, and
- ◆ participation in court proceedings.

For more information, please contact your child's principal.

In addition, the Texas Education Code (Section 25.095) requires that the school district notify parents that students and parents are both subject to prosecution and that the school district shall file a complaint in justice or municipal court or refer a student to a juvenile court if the student "fails to attend school **without excuse** for either **10** days or more days or parts of days within a **six-month period** or **3** or more days or parts of days within a **four-week period**."

Please remember that a student who is 15 years or older and who does not attend classes 90 percent of the time will **not** be issued the *Verification of Enrollment* form necessary for him to receive and/or renew a driver's license.

If you have concerns about your child's attendance or progress, please visit with your principal.

2006 - 2007
Fall Semester – 87 Days
Spring Semester – 93 Days