

MARSHALL COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM

Administrative Procedures

6.6

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Section: Students

Subject: Progressive Truancy Procedures

Related Policy: 6.200 Attendance

I. RATIONALE:

II. PROCEDURES

Tier I

At three (3) unexcused absences, the truancy social worker will work with the school administration to schedule a meeting with the student and parent. At the meeting an attendance contract shall be signed which specifies the school's attendance expectations for the student, the period for which the contract is effective, and penalties for further absences.

The school and social worker will continue to monitor the student's attendance and meet with the student to discuss progress.

Tier II

If a student misses additional absences after the Tier I contract has been completed, then the school administration or designee shall implement Tier II which will consist of conducting an Individualized Assessment Plan to determine what may be needed to prevent additional unexcused absences. Such things as counseling, community based services, or other services may be referred and/or implemented.

Tier III

If a student continues with additional unexcused absences after Tier I and Tier II have been attempted, then Tier III will be implemented. It will consist of parents and students being cited to the Marshall County Truancy Board for additional services and a warning of juvenile court. Once all three Tiers have been attempted, students and/or parents will be cited to Juvenile Court.*

*Parents who fail to comply with the school system's attempts for any tier of the progressive truancy interventions will be subject to automatic court citation.

PC958-3(3)(f) Notwithstanding subsections (d) and (g), if the progressive truancy intervention plan is unsuccessful with a student and the school can document that the student's parent or guardian is unwilling to cooperate in the truancy intervention plan, the director of schools or designee may report the student's absences to the appropriate judge pursuant to subsection (g).

III. ATTACHMENTS

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