

Students

School Attendance

All students enrolled in the Waterford Public School System are required to attend school on a regular basis. Regular attendance is essential for schools to be effective and is the legal responsibility of parents or guardians.

Connecticut Statutes require that “Each parent or other person having control of a child five (5) years of age and over and under eighteen (18) years of age shall cause such child to attend a public day school regularly during the hours and times the public school in the District wherein such child resides is in session, or while the school is in session in which provision for the instruction of such child is made according to law, unless the parent or person having control of such child is able to show that the child is elsewhere receiving equivalent instruction in the studies taught in the public schools.”

The Waterford Board of Education has established and maintains regulations for all grade levels to guide staff in assisting parents or guardians in meeting their responsibility of ensuring that their children attend school regularly.

(cf. 5147 – Student Safety)

(cf. 5118.1 – Homeless Students)

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-184 Duties of parents. (re mandatory schooling of children five years of age and over and under eighteen) – amended by PA 98-243 and PA 00-157.

10-185 - Penalty

10-198a Policies and procedures concerning truants.

10-220 Duties of boards of education.

46b-149 Family with service needs. Complaint. Review by probation officer. Filing of petition. Hearing. Order.

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