

District 207-U Attendance Policy

The Primary responsibility for student attendance rests with the student's parent(s) or guardian. When students miss school, they miss learning. Absence from school is not conducive to the mission of the School District nor to the education of the student and is not excused except in the case of:

Personal illness

Death in the immediate family

Observance of a religious holiday

Family emergency

Students are expected to give a satisfactory reason to the school from the parent or guardian for any **ABSENCE** or **TARDY**. A call by the parent or guardian is required on the first day and each subsequent day of absence or tardy.

Illinois School Code 105 ILCS 5/26-1

Compulsory School Age

Whoever has custody or control of any child between the ages of 7 and 17 years shall cause such child to attend some public school in the district wherein the child resides the entire time it is in session during the regular school term.

In the educational interest of your child, Peotone CUSD 207U will assist you in developing solutions for serious attendance problems.

It is our intent to work together to resolve absenteeism.



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DON'T LEAVE SCHOOL WITHOUT IT!

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of Peotone Community Unit School District 207-U is to provide a positive, safe and nurturing environment where we inspire and educate our students to achieve their full potential with the collaboration of family, community and staff.

For more information about absenteeism and what you can do to help your child, please contact your student's school or the Truancy Officer listed below:

Green Garden Elementary
815-469-5744

Peotone Elementary
708-258-6955

Wilton Center Elementary
815-478-3652

Connor Shaw Center
708-258-0991

Peotone Junior High
708-258-3246

Peotone High School
708-258-3236

Fina Contreras
Truancy Officer
815-740-4788

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

**Peotone Community Unit
School District 207-U**



Good attendance is the
foundation for
improved student
learning and
achievement.

708-258-0991

www.peotoneschools.org

Parent Responsibilities



- Make sure your child is on time for school everyday. Let the school know if this is a problem and try to work out a solution.
- Make the school aware of serious medical conditions that your child has and supply the school with a doctor's statement.
- **DO NOT SCHEDULE FAMILY VACATIONS WHILE SCHOOL IS IN SESSION!**
- If your child expresses concern about going to school, contact the teacher or principal for advice and assistance.
- If your child is struggling academically, arrange to have a conference with the teacher.
- Talk to your child daily about school and ask to see homework assignments.
- Participate in activities and volunteer at your child's school. Attend all open house events.
- Make sure your children know that you do not approve of them being tardy or absent.
- Make sure you know who your child's friends are.

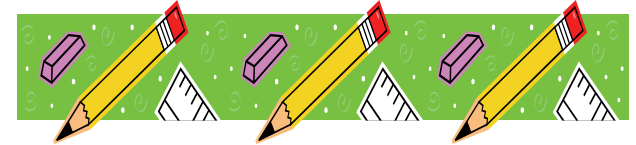
Student Responsibilities



- ATTEND school REGULARLY and be ON TIME each day.
- Keep a POSITIVE ATTITUDE about school!
- Do not pretend to be sick.
- Be honest with your parent/guardian about school activities.
- Follow all school rules.
- Complete all class assignments.
- Turn in all homework assignments.
- TALK TO YOUR TEACHER or another school staff member if there is a problem.
- ASK FOR HELP when you need it.
- Prepare the night before for school the next day.



School District Responsibilities



- Provide a SAFE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT and make students feel welcome at school.
- CONTACT PARENT/GUARDIAN when a student is absent and the school has not been notified.
- Provide access to Social Worker and/or School Psychologist for group counseling sessions and/or home visits.
- Arrange conference with parent/guardian to discuss truancy issues.
- Direct families who are experiencing problems with food/nutrition, transportation, health/medicine, mental health, alcohol and drug issues or other family stressors to appropriate community resources.
- Refer students who are chronically truant to the Will County Truancy Officer for a hearing.

