

**ATTENDANCE**

The Governing Board honors and supports the compulsory attendance laws of the State of California.

The Board recognizes that students need to attend school regularly and consistently to acquire the academic proficiency, social skills, and knowledge to succeed in further education and to become positive contributors to society.

1. The Board therefore directs district administration to annually develop procedures to enforce state attendance regulations at all times for all students.
2. The Board expects students to attend school regularly and in accordance with compulsory education laws and believes that regular attendance is a key factor in fostering high student achievement. Students who are excessively absent will minimize their ability to acquire academic proficiency.

The Superintendent or designee will annually communicate student attendance expectations to parents/guardians, students, and staff.

Each year the Superintendent or designee will establish an attendance goal (target) for schools designed to improve attendance.

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

46012 *Verification of absences; students 18 years of age or over*

46014 *Absences for religious purposes*

46112 *Minimum school day for grades 1, 2 and 3*

46115 *Noon intermissions and recesses*

46142 *Alternative method of computing minimum school day*

48260-48267 *Truants*

CALIFORNIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, TITLE

200, 420, 422

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS REFERENCE:

5111.1, 5113, 5117, 6158

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**SANTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
Santee, California