

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

The prevention and correction of the causes of student absenteeism is an area of major concern to the Yale Board of Education. The parent or guardian is charged with the responsibility for the student's consistent school attendance. The attendance officer of this school district will assist parents and guardians in the discharge of that responsibility.

The board of education has entered into an agreement with the City of Yale Police Department to provide assistance to the attendance officer in detaining and taking temporary custody of students absent from home and school during school hours without a valid excuse. The police department will deliver such students to the parent, guardian, or other person having legal custody or control of the student; the school from which the student is absent without valid excuse; or to a nonsecure youth service or community center serving the school district. The temporary custody or detention of students by the police department shall be used as a means of returning truant students to school and shall not be used as a pretext for investigating criminal matters.

It shall be the duty of the attendance officer to carry out the duties and responsibilities required by law. If the attendance officer is unable to carry out these duties and responsibilities, the superintendent shall be charged with such duties and responsibilities. Documentation of enrollment status of students shall be provided by the school district last attended by the student and shall be based upon the last semester's attendance if the student requires documentation during a time when school is not in session.

REFERENCE: 70 O.S. §10-101
70 O.S. §10-106.1

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