



Student Attendance Policy

I. PURPOSE

Regular and punctual attendance of every child is the desired goal of Barrington Public Schools (BPS) in order to support meaningful engagement in their education.

II. POLICY

Parents, guardians, and students are expected to support their attendance by limiting absences, tardiness, and early dismissals to those which are necessary for the welfare of the community, student, or to support a student's participation in cultural or religious ceremonies.

Each school's handbook outlines excused and unexcused absence reasons. Frequent or prolonged absence or repeated tardiness without satisfactory reasons shall be addressed by building administrators or their delegates. Every effort will be made to support the student and their families/guardians in order to reduce absence or tardiness.

Support of students with school avoidance will be provided by school counselors and administrators.

Perfect attendance awards will not occur to ensure the equitable celebration of all students.

¹Per [RIGL §16-19-1](#),
[RIGL §16-19-10](#)

Barrington Public Schools School Committee

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