

FORT LA BOSSE SCHOOL DIVISION

TITLE - **STUDENT ATTENDANCE**

POLICY - **JE**

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The schools in the Fort La Bosse School Division consider regular student attendance important and all students are expected to attend regularly.

Parents should give careful consideration prior to authorizing an absence from a class for their child. Even though the need to be absent may seem important, as a Division we ask parents to determine if the absence is absolutely necessary as regular student attendance enhances student achievement.

Every parent, guardian, or adult who has the responsibility of a child's care will ensure that the child attends school, unless specifically excused in writing by the Minister, in accordance with provisions of P.S.A. 260(1) and the regulations. All cases of chronic attendance problems will be reported to the School Attendance Officer.

Attendance in kindergarten classes, although not compulsory, is deemed to be most beneficial to the student.

The compulsory school age during which a child must, unless otherwise excluded, attend school applies to all children:

1. seven (7) years of age or older on December 31 in a year; and
2. under the age of eighteen (18) years of age.

Any child who will reach the age of seven (7) years of age between the beginning of the fall term and December 31 will be expected to enrol at the beginning of said fall term.