

2.15 ATTENDANCE POLICY AND TEN DAY RULE

The Executive Director (or designee) of Scholars Academy will develop procedures outlining attendance requirements, including excessive absences and the Ten Day Rule. Such procedures will be reviewed annually, included in the Parent/Student Handbook and Staff Handbook in accordance with Policy 3.5 Scholars Academy Handbooks, and acknowledged and signed by parents, students and staff at the beginning of the school year.

Ten Day Rule

The State Board of Education Ten Day Rule states that when a student accumulates ten consecutive days of unlawful absences, he/she is to be withdrawn from funded membership as of the first day following his/her last day in attendance. Students under age 16 who are unlawfully absent for more than 10 consecutive absences are not to be withdrawn until their whereabouts are known or it is determined they have left the state of North Carolina. Once students who continue to reside in the school's attendance area have been located, they should continue to be coded unlawfully absent as long as the reasons for their absences are unlawful. If any student, regardless of age, is in violation of the Ten Day Rule on the last day of the school year, action must be taken to withdraw the student on the first day after his/her last day in attendance. Students will be formally withdrawn and lose their membership seat at Scholars Academy. They must reapply in order to gain readmittance and follow the procedures under our admissions policy found on our website.

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