



CHAPTER 115C
ARTICLE 26 - ATTENDANCE

N.C.G.S. § 115C-379.

Method of enforcement.

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§ 115C-379(a) It shall be the duty of the State Board of Education to formulate the rules that may be necessary for the proper enforcement of the provisions of this Part. The Board shall prescribe (i) what shall constitute unlawful absence, (ii) what causes may constitute legitimate excuses for temporary nonattendance due to a student's physical or mental inability to attend or a student's participation in a valid educational opportunity such as service as a legislative page or a Governor's page, and (iii) under what circumstances teachers, principals, or superintendents may excuse pupils for nonattendance due to immediate demands of the farm or the home in certain seasons of the year in the several sections of the State.

§ 115C-379(b) In addition to any excused absences authorized pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, the rules shall require school principals to authorize the following excused absences:

- (1) Religious observance. - A minimum of two excused absences each academic year for religious observances required by the faith of a student or the student's parent or legal guardian.
- (2) Military leave. - A minimum of two excused absences each academic year, if all of the following conditions are met:

a.The student's parent or legal guardian is an active duty member of the uniformed services, as defined by Article 29B of this Chapter, the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children.

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07	2010	S.L. 2010-112, s. 1	AMENDED
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