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IMPORTANT POINTS AND LAW CONCERNING ABSENCES

SCHOOL POLICY:

It is required that all absences be explained in a written note from parents no later than the second day a student returns to school. If not the absence is unexcused.

Any absence in excess of five unexcused absences in grades 5-12 requires a doctor or medical note to be excused. (If a student has more than five unexcused absences in a semester each absence there after must have a doctor's note or prior excuse from Headmaster or it will be unexcused).

An absence that is unexcused carries a zero in each class for the day missed due to an unexcused absence.

Any student in K4-4 who accumulates 20 absences in a year can be denied promotion.

Parents can attain excused permission from the Headmaster for special circumstances surrounding student absences prior to the student missing school.

Page 3-4 of the parent/student handbook contains the full attendance policy.

ALABAMA STATE LAW Code 290-3-1-.02

Under state regulations, parents must attend a school conference if their child has five unexcused absences in a school year. If they do not cooperate with the school, or the child attains seven unexcused absences, the school will be required to refer the matter to the county juvenile probation officer.

Because parents are legally responsible for sending their children to school, they could face misdemeanor charges for violating Alabama's compulsory education laws unless they can prove they tried their best to make their children attend school regularly.

As we move forward the school must adhere to these guidelines. If you have any questions concerning attendance feel free to contact me.

Headmaster,

Billy Burnham

NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATORY POLICY AS TO STUDENTS – Patrician Academy admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.