

Student Attendance/Grade Policy

Attendance is a critical factor for education success. Regular attendance and punctuality will improve a student's enthusiasm for education, involvement in school activities, and social skills. Wildwood School asks all parents to support attendance at school. If you are experiencing difficulty having your child consistently attend school, please ask your classroom staff for help. Staff are sensitive to the reasons why students may not want to come to school. They can provide support to you and your child.

If your child is going to be absent from school, arriving late, or leaving early, we ask that you notify the school office at 518-836-2200 option 1, or school-office@wildwoodprograms.org. If you bring your child in late, please notify the transporter that your child is in school and will need to be picked up at the end of the school day.

New York State law allows a legal absence for the following reasons:

- Illness
- Illness or death in the family
- Impassable roads or weather making travel unsafe
- Religious Observance
- Required presence in court
- Other reasons approved by administration

A written excuse, email, or phone call from a parent or guardian, stating the DATE(S) and REASON is required for all absences. If your child will be absent for any extended period of time, please notify the school office. Excuses can also be submitted online through the Excuses Absence Form on the school website. All other reasons must be recorded as unexcused (illegal) absences. Your home school district receives monthly attendance reports, sent by Wildwood School. Home districts have the right to ask for written excuses, and if asked, we must provide them.