Attendance Policy Summary: Policy on a page

Our whole school target: 96% Your individual student target: Full attendance



What will happen if I attend well?

We will recognise your achievement:



- Weekly recognition > in form time * text home
- Half termly recognition > different recognitions each half term
- Termly recognition > celebration, assemblies, rewards
- We will also recognise your form group and year group attendance
- Every year we will also ask you and your parents/carers for your views about our attendance policy and our recognitions

What will happen if my attendance drops?

You will get support to help you improve:

- Conversations with pastoral staff to listen to you, and to find out what school can do to help
- Staff contacting home to find out what your parents/carers say
- Agreeing a support plan with you/your parents/carers
- Monitoring your attendance progress
- Celebrating your improvements: 🙂
- If things haven't got better, seeing what else can be done, and inviting you and your parents to meet attendance staff in school and find out if there is further help or support from outside school needed > setting a new target for monitoring

Our Attendance Lead (Senior Leadership): Mrs Warburton swarburton@helsbyhigh.org

Our Attendance Lead (Extended Leadership): Mr Howe phowe@helsbyhigh.org

Our School Attendance & Welfare Officer: Mrs Black kblack@helsbyhigh.org

Our Student Support Co-ordinator for Attendance: Mrs Briscoe wbriscoe@helsbyhigh.org Our Attendance email address (priority way of communicating): attendance@helsbyhigh.org

Our Attendance phone number: 01928 723551 Our students should arrive on site by: 8.35am

Our morning attendance register opens at: 8.40am (and closes at 9.30am)

Our afternoon attendance register is taken at: 1.10pm Our school day ends at: 3.10pm

NOTES: Persistent absence classed as below 90%. All students are supported on an individual basis, but the core principle is to approach every case from a supportive angle. In persistent, prolonged and severe cases, school will liaise with the local authority for advice. In rare cases, once other options have been explored, schools and local authorities are expected to consider issuing Fixed Penalty Notices (FPNs) and Prosecution. In these cases, parents are always advised in writing beforehand. FPNs for holidays in term time may and can be processed when an absence of 5 or more days occurs.