

BLUM TRUANCY PREVENTION PLAN



Blum ISD is implementing a Truancy Prevention Plan designed to closely monitor students who are not in compliance with attendance policies of the state. All students are required to attend school for 90% of the time in order to receive credit. When and if they are absent, they are to submit notes from parents and/or doctors to account for their absence. When no note is submitted, that is an unexcused absence.

Parents will be notified when students have unexcused absences in an effort to keep a student in good standing for the semester.

When a student is absent for more than 5 days in a semester or three unexcused absences within a four week period in any class, then a meeting with the principal, parent/guardian, and student will be held to discuss the issues contributing to the absences. A truancy warning is filed with the Hill County Sheriff's department. At that time, the consequences for subsequent absences will also be explained.

If the accrued absences are such that credit for the current semester is in jeopardy, then community service hours will be set. If the student fails to fulfill the community service hours, then disciplinary action will be necessary. Disciplinary action includes but is not limited to lunch detentions, community service, and placement in alternative school.

If all of these efforts still do not improve student attendance, then the Hill County Sheriff will be contacted once again where civil charges can be filed on the parents of minor children or on an adult student.