

School Attendance Policy 4.100

The Background:

The Guidelines for Exemption from Compulsory School Attendance Policy was originally passed in 1996 and has not been updated since that time. During a comprehensive policy audit and revision process, the staff of the Department of Education and the State Board identified the policy as in need of updating.

This item presents a comprehensive update to the policy to encompass the most current requirements for compulsory school attendance and excused absences. It also removes the outdated exemption form, which is no longer utilized. Updating this policy will help ensure State Board policies are current and relevant for LEAs.

There have been no changes since first reading.

The Fiscal Analysis Impact:

T.C.A. § 49-1-212 requires that the Department of Education prepare a fiscal analysis of any policy, rule, or regulation proposed to the State Board of Education. This item has no financial impact on an LEA.

The Recommendation:

The Department of Education recommends adoption of this item on final reading. The SBE staff concurs with this recommendation.