

POLICY

ROCHELLE PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Tardiness

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The Board of Education believes that promptness is an important element of school attendance. Pupils who are late to school or to class miss essential portions of the instructional program and create disruptions in the academic process for themselves and other pupils.

Tardiness to school or class that is caused by a pupil's illness, an emergency in the pupil's family, the observance of a religious holiday, a death in the pupil's family, or by the pupil's compliance with a request or directive of an administrator will be considered justified and is excused. All other incidents of tardiness will be considered unexcused.

Excessive Tardiness

Pupils should arrive to school on time each day. Attendance is taken in all grades and homerooms in Midland School.

Pupils arriving late to school four or more times per marking period will receive notification letters. Parent(s) and/or legal guardian(s) of children in Pre-Kindergarten through grade three will receive letters following additional "lates to school." Pupils in grade four through eight will receive school detentions for each additional "late to school" beyond the four tardies, each marking period.

A pupil who develops a pattern of tardiness, excused or unexcused, will be offered counseling with an appropriate staff member to determine the cause of the tardiness.

N.J.S.A. 18A:36-14; 18A:36-15; 18A:36-25 et seq.

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