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Compulsory Attendance Ages

Children between the ages of six and 18 are of compulsory school age. Every person of compulsory school age must attend a school, which conforms to the standards prescribed by the State Board of Education (SBOE) until one of the following occurs.

1. The person receives a diploma or certificate of high school equivalence granted by the Board or other governing authority indicating such student has successfully completed all state and local requirements.
2. The person receives an age and schooling certificate (work permit) and is enrolled in an educational program meeting the requirements of State law.
3. The person is excused from school under standards adopted by the SBOE pursuant to State law.
4. **The person is exempt from compulsory attendance through a home education program.**

The parent(s) of any person who is of compulsory school age must send such person to school unless he/she is **excused or** exempt as listed above.

Legal References

ORC 3301.80
 ORC 3301.81
 ORC 3313.61
 ORC 3321.01 et seq.
 ORC 3331.02
 OAC 3301-35-04
 OAC Chapter 3301-41

Cross References

IGBG, Homebound Instruction
 IGCF, Home Education
 JEB, Entrance Age (Mandatory Kindergarten)
 JEG, Exclusions and Exemptions from School Attendance
 JFE, Student Pregnancy and Related Conditions

NOTE: This category is for a statement on compulsory attendance ages — usually a matter of law — and exceptions to age requirements. Policies and regulations pertaining to absences and excuses are filed under other categories in the JE sequence.

House Bill 113 (16) revised the requirements for receiving a certificate of high school equivalence and removed specific references to the GED. Requirements are outlined in Ohio Revised Code Section 3301.80 and 3301.81.

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