

**ACCEPTABLE REASONS FOR  
EXCUSED STUDENT ABSENCES**

( §46010, 46010.5, 48205 Ed. Code)

Student must be given an opportunity to complete work which is reasonably close to, but not necessarily identical to, missed work.

1. Personal illness (school may require doctor's note verifying absence after 10 days)
2. Quarantine under the direction of a health officer
3. Personal medical dental (requires doctor's note)
4. Funeral services of parent, sibling, grandparent, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, or any relative living in the immediate household of the child.
5. Student serving on jury duty
6. Exclusion for medical reasons (not to exceed 5 school days)
7. Personal court appearance (requires verification)

\* (Students shall be given the opportunity to complete work which is reasonably close to, but not necessarily identical to, missed work.)

**HESPERIA UNIFIED  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Parent and Student  
**SARB INFORMATION  
PAMPHLET  
2010-2011**



**Board of Trustees**

Chris Bentley  
Dr. Robert Kirk  
Hardy Black  
Anthony Riley  
Ella Rogers

**Superintendent**  
Mark McKinney

**The SARB Process**  
**As Established by Law**

**3** unexcused absences = Truant  
(reported to attendance supervisor)

**6<sup>th</sup> unexcused** absence = Second  
truancy (again reported to attendance  
supervisor)

**7<sup>th</sup>** unexcused absence = Third truancy  
(again reported to attendance  
supervisor)

**8<sup>th</sup>** unexcused absence = Fourth truancy  
(classified as a habitual truant and  
subject to a summons to appear at a  
**SARB** hearing)

**NOTE:** Ten (10) excused absences is  
considered to be excessive. Education Code  
Sec. §48260-Any pupil subject to full-time  
education or to compulsory education who is  
absent from school without valid excuse  
more than three days or **tardy or absent for  
more than any 30-minute period during  
the school day without a valid excuse on  
three occasions in one school year**, or any  
combination thereof, is a truant and shall be  
reported to the attendance supervisor or the  
superintendent of the school district.

**Parents are responsible for a child's  
attendance from age 6 until age 18  
 (§48200 Ed. Code).**

**PENALTIES**  
**§48293 Education Code**

**SARB Hearing** – The School Attendance  
Review Board (SARB) will ask the parent  
and the student to sign attendance contract.  
Failure to comply with the contract will  
result in the order of a citation to appear in  
court.

**1<sup>st</sup> Conviction** A fine of not more than  
\$100.00 plus penalties  
could amount to as much  
as \$445.00.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Conviction** A fine of not more than  
\$250.00 plus penalties  
could amount to as much  
as \$750.00.

**3<sup>rd</sup> or  
Subsequent  
Conviction** A fine of not more than  
\$500.00 plus penalties  
could amount to  
\$1,400.00

**§13202.7 V.C.** Any minor under the  
age of 18 years, but 13  
years of age or older  
who is a habitual truant  
may have his/her  
driving privilege  
suspended for one year.

**§48923 Ed. C.** Failure to enroll your  
student in an approved  
educational program could  
result in a \$1,000.00 fine.

**TRUANCIES &  
UNEXCUSED ABSENCES**

**Reasons NOT acceptable for  
being absent from school and are  
considered truanancies or  
unexcused absences during the  
regular school year.**

**Truant** if student does the  
following; an **unexcused**  
absence if parent requires  
student to do the following:

1. Going to work with parent  
or other family member
2. Going to the beach, lake,  
river, mountains or desert
3. Visiting family
4. Going to medical  
appointments with siblings
5. Baby-sitting, taking care of  
other family members
6. Under the influence of  
alcohol or drugs
7. Going on vacation
8. Personal problems
9. Repairing car or household items
10. Waiting for service or repair people  
to arrive
11. Shopping
12. Any other reasons not included in  
Acceptable Reasons for Excused  
Student Absences