



STRATH HAVEN HIGH SCHOOL

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THREE DAY NOTICE

August 15, 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As of today, (child's name) has accumulated three or more days of unexcused absence from school and is now considered truant. Please see the enclosed attendance record. The unexcused absences constitute a violation of the compulsory attendance provision of the PA Public School Code and WSSD Policy 204 regarding Pupil Attendance.

School policy states that once a student accrues three unexcused absences, they will be expected to attend three Saturday School detentions. You and your child will be notified to confirm the dates of expected Saturday School attendance.

Moving forward, if your child accumulates three additional unexcused absences they will be considered habitually truant. Should this occur, you could be subject to the following consequences:

- ***Habitually truant children under fifteen years of age:*** If a habitually truant child is under fifteen (15), the school **must** refer the child to **either**: (1) a school-based attendance improvement program **or** (2) the county children and youth agency (CYS) for services or possible disposition as a dependent child under the Juvenile Act. Additionally, the school **may** file a citation against the parent/guardian of a habitually truant child under fifteen (15) in a magisterial district court.
- ***Habitually truant children fifteen years of age and older:*** If a habitually truant child is fifteen (15) or older, the school must either: (1) refer the child to a school based or community based attendance improvement program **or** (2) file a citation against the student **or** parent/guardian in a magisterial district court. If a habitually truant child aged fifteen (15) or older incurs additional absences after a school refers that child to an attendance improvement program or the child refuses to participate in an attendance improvement program, the school **may** refer the child to the local CYS agency for possible disposition as a dependent child.

If you'd like to schedule an attendance improvement conference, please call Ms. Kathy Markert at 610-892-3470 ext. 2118 to schedule a meeting with your child's counselor.

If you have any questions about the contents of this letter, or believe our records to be in error, please contact me immediately.

Sincerely,

(School Attendance Officer/Administrator)

C: Counselor
Social Worker/Home & School Visitor