# Student Attendance Every Day Makes a Difference

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Virtual Meeting:

## School Success Begins with Attendance

When it comes to school, students who miss school...miss out!

They miss out on opportunities to learn, develop skills and attitudes needed to become good citizens and valued employees. There is a very strong connection between student attendance and student performance in school.

What happens when a student misses one day of school, for any reason? Time Missed at CECA

When a student at the Clint ISD Early College Academy misses school they miss:

Monday or Wednesday or Friday - 33% of instruction for the week

Tuesday or Thursday - 50% of instruction for the week.

#### **EXCUSED**

- O=Other(O-TS, O-AD, O-NO, O-CO, O-DR)
- E= Excused (E-MD, E-MX )
- S= School Activity
- Z= Out of School Suspension
- X= In School Suspension

#### **UNEXCUSED**

- U= Unexcused
- W= Teacher entered
- A= Substitute entered

#### **Attendance Cycle:**

- Absences start out coded as A or W
- Once the attendance clerk speaks to parent the code changes to U
- If the attendance clerk does not speak with parent they remain A or W
- Once school receives a note the absence code changes to E (Full day absences)

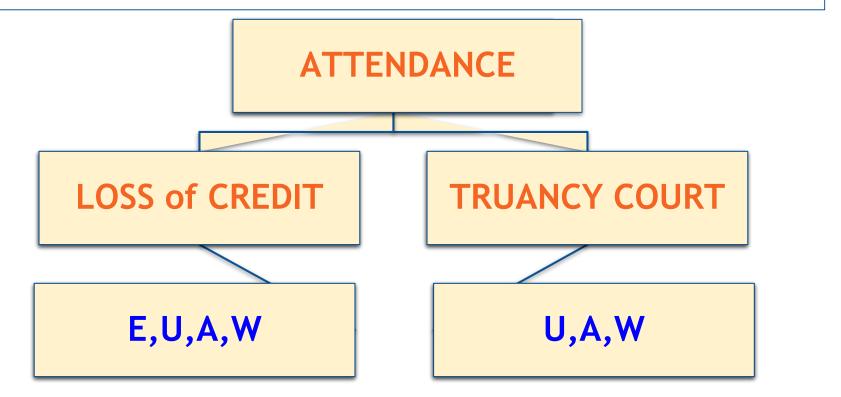
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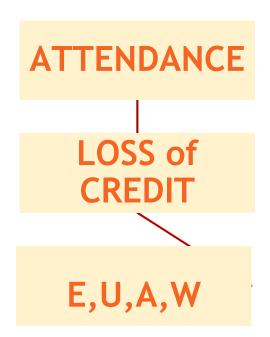
### O-DR

 This coding occurs when the student is absent for part of the day and brings a Drs. note from the U.S. for the part of the day they were absent.

## ABSENCE TYPES: Excused & Unexcused



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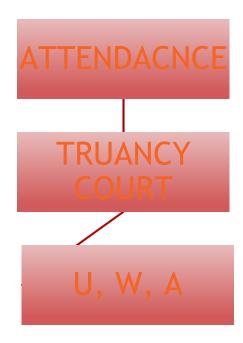
- Texas Education Code requires that a student be in attendance 90% of days class is offered and to pass the class with a 70 or better to receive credit in the course.
- All absences coded E, U, A, W count toward loss of credit.
  - Notes will help the committee make decisions about regaining credit.
- Students will lose credit when they miss:
  - 5 days M-W-F and/or 3 days T-TH.

#### LOSS of CREDIT cont.

#### When a student loses credit:

- Parents receive a letter notifying them that their child has lost credit.
- A committee of teachers, assistant principal and counselor convene to review all students who have lost credit.
- Number of absences and reasons for absences are reviewed and the committee decides on one of the following:
  - To grant credit after student completes the number of hours they missed from class(es) and other criteria are met.
    - Other criteria include no further absences without a Dr's note, no tardies, pass all courses and any other criteria the committee implements.
  - To deny credit Student will retake the course

## ATTENDANCE TYPES: All Absences



#### TRUANCY COURT

- Texas Education Code requires that parents and students be Charged (civil charges) when a student fails to attend school.
- Charges are based on unexcused absences.
   (charges can also be filed with excused absences if the number of absences are excessive)
- Parents will receive the first warning letter when a student accumulates 3 unexcused absences.

Parents will be asked to meet with an administrator where a Truancy Prevention Plan will be created.

#### To prevent Truancy Court Civil Charges:

- Your child should attend school
- If your child must be absent please send a note within 48 hrs.

#### **Notifying school of Absences**

- More than 3 days requires a Drs. note
- More than 3 days and you know in advance please notify school as soon as you know.
- Notify about type of illness in advance to verify if the student qualifies for remote conferencing - does not affect attendance.
- Driver License 17 yrs. of age bring a copy of permit/license for attendance purposes. Has special coding O-L. have to pass drivers test if student fails doesn't work.
- Parent is deploying or arriving from a deployment please let us know does not affect loss of credit.
- Testing for military student should let us know and bring the form from testing does not count against the student.
- College visits approved by principal in advance do not count against the student.

#### Thank you for attending

## Questions