

**Instruction**

**Released Time**

Students are to be excused from school upon written request from parent or guardian for any major religious holidays. Students will be given the right to make up tests and will not be deprived of any awards.

Principals and teachers shall continually emphasize that students should not be taken out of school unless absolutely necessary. The idea that a student should attend school must become an imperative in his/her mind.

To the greatest extent possible, absences for medical and dental services should be scheduled by parents during the students free time or after school. If such appointments are scheduled during school time, the staff should be given as much advance notification as possible.

(cf. 5113 - Attendance and Excuses)