
COUNCIL ON STUDENT ATTENDANCE APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Purpose and Description of Council on Student Attendance:

Nebraska Statute Section 79-527.01

Effective Date: July 18, 2014

- (1)(a) The Council on Student Attendance is created. The council shall consist of:
- (i) A member of a school board in any class of school district to be appointed by the State Board of Education;
 - (ii) Two parents not related to each other who have children attending school in this state to be appointed by the State Board of Education;
 - (iii) A superintendent or his or her designee of a school district to be appointed by the State Board of Education;
 - (iv) A student attending a public school in this state to be appointed by the State Board of Education;
 - (v) A representative of a community or advocacy organization to be appointed by the State Board of Education;
 - (vi) A county attorney to be appointed by the State Board of Education;
 - (vii) The probation administrator or his or her designee;
 - (viii) The Commissioner of Education or his or her designee; and
 - (ix) The chief executive officer of the Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee.
- (b) The members of the council appointed by the State Board of Education shall serve three-year staggered terms, as designated by the board.
- (c) The members of the council shall serve on the council without any additional compensation, but they shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for any actual expenses incurred as necessary incident to such service as provided in sections 81-1174 to 81-1177.
- (2) The council shall:
- (a) Study and evaluate the data contained in the reports required by subsection (2) of section 79-527;
 - (b) Develop recommendations to reduce incidents of absenteeism;
 - (c) Consider whether school district policies and practices for addressing absenteeism are operational and effectively working to address absenteeism and make recommendations for improvements where necessary; and
 - (d) Review all school district policies developed under subsection (2) of section 79-209 and make specific recommendations for school district policy improvement. The council may contact a school district or a county attorney for additional information in order to carry out its duties under this section.
- (3) The council shall report on its activities electronically to the Legislature on or before October 1 of each year.