

Descriptor Term:

**ADB**

**AVERAGE DAILY ATTENDANCE**

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The Board of Education of the Jackson County School District recognizes the importance of regular student attendance as a means of exposure to new knowledge and increased revenues to the school district. The superintendent and his staff are directed to encourage regular student attendance through a planned program designed to accomplish maximum ADA (Average Daily Attendance) for the school district. This planned program shall include procedures for monitoring student absences as specified in the Mississippi Compulsory Attendance Law, Section 37-13-91 (1993).

Average Daily Attendance is calculated by dividing the total aggregate attendance during the period or month in which both teachers and students are in regular attendance for scheduled classroom instruction.

The goal for the Jackson County School District, as a minimum, shall be to maintain or exceed the average daily attendance of the two previous years.

2020-2021 COVID-19 Temporary Attendance Protocol:

- All documented COVID-19 related student absences will be excused and will not count toward attendance officer referrals.
- During the 2020-2021 school year, attendance for students enrolled in distance learning will be taken via one-on-one teacher-student contact and/or student progress on daily assignments, established learning goals, and assignment completion. Absences will be reported according to the requirements set forth in Miss. Admin. Code 7-3: 9.2, State Board Policy Chapter 9, Rule 9.2: Reporting Attendance for Virtual Learning.

LEGAL REF: Mississippi Code, Section 37-19-1 (1); Section 37-13-91 (1993).

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