



# Ceres Unified School District

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## MISCELLANEOUS LAWS REGARDING SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

### ARTICLE I- COMPULSORY FULL TIME EDUCATION

E.C. SECTION 48200 Each parent, guardian, or other person having control or charge of any child between the ages of 6 and 18 years—shall send the child to the public full-time day school for the full time for which the public schools of the city, and county, or school district in which the child lives are in session.

E.C. SECTION 48450 Each parent, guardian, or other person having control or charge of any minor required to attend continuation classes, shall compel the minor to attend.

### ARTICLE V- TRUANTS

E.C. SECTION 48260 Any pupil who shall be reported as a truant—who has been absent from school without valid excuse three or more days or tardy in excess of 30 minutes on each of four or more days in one school year.

E.C. SECTION 48261 Any pupil who is again absent without valid excuse or tardy one or more days shall again be reported.

E.C. SECTION 48262 Any pupil is deemed a habitual truant who has been reported as a truant three or more times per school year.

E.C. SECTION 48262 Any pupil in any district of a county that is deemed a habitual truant, may be referred to a school attendance review board to determine what community services are available to solve the truancy problem and to assign directives to follow.

E.C. SECTION 48263.5 When parents/guardians fail to respond to the directives of the school attendance review board, school officials may forward information to the District Attorney's office to discuss legal consequences.

E.C. SECTION 48293 Any parent, guardian having control of any pupil who fails to comply with the above sections is guilty of an infraction and subject to monetary fines and/or criminal prosecution.

W&I SECTION 601 Any person under the age of 18 years who habitually refuses to obey his or her parents or guardian that has four or more trancies within one school year as defined in Section 48260 of the Education Code and a school attendance review board determines that the available public and private services are insufficient and the minor fails to respond to directives of a school attendance review board, the minor is then within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court which may adjudge the minor to be a ward of the court.

V.C. SECTION 13202.7 Any minor under the age of 18, but 13 years of age or older, who is deemed a habitual truant, may have his or her driving privilege suspended for one year by the court. If the minor does not yet drive, the court may order the department to delay issuing the privilege to drive for one year subsequent to the time the person becomes legally eligible to drive.

P.C. SECTION 270.1 A parent or guardian of a pupil of six years of age or more whose child is a chronic truant as defined in Section 48263.6 of the Education Code, who has failed to reasonably supervise and encourage the pupil's school attendance, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not exceeding two thousand dollars (\$2,000), or by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year, or by both that fine and imprisonment.

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