**NYE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ATTENDANCE POLICY PARENT/STUDENT CONTRACT**

ATTENDANCE PHILOSOPHY

School attendance for kindergarten through grade 12 is essential to students’ academic success and personal growth. In order to meet or exceed the State and District academic standards and develop habits of punctuality, self-discipline and responsibility, students must attend and participate in their prescribed educational program. Attendance is a shared responsibility of students, parents or legal guardians, school staff and community.

Nye County School District requires students to be in attendance at least 90% of the school year in order to be promoted or to earn credit. Absences that do not count against the student when applying the 90% attendance rule (NRS 392.122) are absences due to the fact the student is physically or mentally unable to attend school and parent contact is made within three days of the absence, or pre-arranged absences with the approval of the principal or his/her designee pursuant to NRS 392.130.

NRS 392.122 requires each school district to prescribe a minimum number of days that a pupil must be in attendance for the pupil to obtain credit or to be promoted to the next higher grade. NCSD requires students to be in attendance 90% of the school year.

5-Day Week = 180 Days per School Year 4-DayWeek = 140 Days per School Year

Maximum Absences Allowed: Maximum Absences Allowed:

Elementary – 18 days per school year Elementary – 14 Days per school year

Secondary – 9 days per semester Secondary – 7 days per semester

Maximum – 18 days per school year Maximum –14 days per school year

Alternative – 5 hours per week

All absences require parent contact within three (3) days of the absence to excuse the missing day and avoid being marked truant (NRS 392.130). Absences that do not count against the student when applying the 90% minimum attendance rule (NRS 392.122):

Absences due to the fact that the student is physically or mentally unable to attend school, and parent contact is made within three (3) days of the absence; and

Pre-arranged absences (Section E) with the approval of the Principal or his/her designee pursuant to NRS 392.130; or

Time out of a class due to a school activity that is:

• Sponsored by the school or school district;

• Part of the program of the school or school district; and

• Personally supervised by an employee of the school district.

• Absences due to modified schedule for an IEP or 504 Plan (NRS 392.050).

**PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. The parent/legal guardian will provide an oral or written excuse explaining the cause of the absence within three days after the student returns to school (NRS 392.130).

2. The parent/legal guardian is requested to notify the school in writing of any student health problems, which may result in lengthy/chronic absences from school.

3. It is the parent’s/legal guardian’s responsibility to attend conferences relating to attendance when requested by the school.

4. Pursuant to NRS 392.130, the parent/legal guardian must request approval for pre-arranged absences from the principal or his/her designee at least two (2) days in advance of the absence. Extended absences require more advance notice.