



Juniata Valley School District

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

This letter is to inform you of some changes to our attendance policy for the 20-21 school year. The current attendance policy states:

Once a student of compulsory school age (17 or under), reaches ten (10) days of absence during the school year, he/she may be issued a medical letter. This notification requires that for any absence during the remainder of the school year to be excused, the student must furnish a note from a doctor. The note must indicate that the student was seen by the doctor, and that he/she was too ill to attend school on the day(s) in question. Prior to the issuance of the medical letter, the parents will be issued a warning letter after five (5) days of absence reminding them of the number of days missed and the potential consequences of continued absences. After the issuance of the medical letter, any absences not accompanied by a doctor's note will be counted as unexcused.

We are asking parents to keep their children home from school if they have COVID-19 symptoms. This year we will be allowing for 10 additional excused COVID days for students. The student must submit a written excuse from a parent/guardian or medical professional to be excused on the dates that they did not attend school. The district will work with students and families to obtain excuses for student absences. After a student reaches their 20th day a medical excuse will be required for any additional absence during the year.

The Juniata Valley School District is working to ensure the health and safety of our students and staff as we navigate the current pandemic. We appreciate your support and cooperation with this attendance plan for the 20-21 school year.

Respectfully,

JVSD Administration

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