

Other Information

Truancy

Students who deliberately stay at home for no legal reason are considered truant and will be held accountable according to school policy.

Signing In Late

Students who arrive to school after the bell for first period (7:40), must sign into school at the Security Vestibule. Failure to sign in is a violation of the discipline policy. Students who sign in late may be subject to disciplinary consequences. Students who accumulate three unexcused lates to school will receive a lunch detention.

Extra-Curricular Eligibility

Our eligibility policy

states that students must be in attendance by the end of second period (9:10) in order to be eligible to engage in **ANY** after school activity. Any student who exceeds 20 absences may lose eligibility.



Signing Out

Students wishing to leave the school building must be physically signed out and picked up by a parent or a designee found on the student contact card. **Under no circumstances can students sign themselves out.** In addition, students signed out of school will not be permitted to participate in **any** after school activity without a doctor's note.



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Middle School

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NORTH COUNTRY ROAD
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Attendance Information *2018-2019*



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Student Attendance

New York State Law requires that any student who is absent from school must have a legal excuse for their absence. Therefore, if your child is absent, please call the middle school attendance office at 474-2713 before 10:00 a.m. If we do not receive notification, your child will be considered illegally absent.



All absences must be accounted for. It is the parent's responsibility to notify the school office on the morning of the absence or in cases of tardiness, within 24 hours. In either case the parent must provide a written justification upon the student's return to school.

Excused absences are defined as absences due to personal illness, death in the family during immediate grieving, practicing religious observance, government imposed quarantine, required court appearances, attendance at health clinics for health reasons, approved cooperative work programs, military obligations or such other reasons as may be approved by the Superintendent.



Students who sign in late to school need written documentation to excuse the lateness.

Board of Education Policy

Regular school attendance is a major component of academic success. The Board of Education expects to:

- ⇒ encourage full attendance by all students.
- ⇒ identify patterns of student absence as an intervention tool.
- ⇒ encourage and improve academic development at the North Country Road Middle School.

NCRMS Policy For Accelerated Courses For High School Credit: Algebra I, Earth Science, and Foreign Language (Grade 8) Proficiency.

1. NCRMS students must maintain 85% attendance to be eligible for credit. Twenty-seven (27) absences (excused or unexcused) within a full year of a one-credit course will result in no credit given for the course.
2. Students taking science lab courses that meet 270 class periods yearly may not exceed forty-one (41) missed periods to receive credit for the course.
3. Three instances of tardiness less than twenty (20) minutes will equal one absence. Students will be considered absent from class if they are absent more than twenty minutes of the period.

4. Students who are in "no credit" status before the end of the school year are obligated to continue to attend the class. Failure to do so will result in school disciplinary procedures.
5. Students who are absent 20 days or more will have their eligibility frozen until a parent conference with an Assistant Principal.

Policy For All Other NCRMS Courses

1. Any student who misses a class is expected, upon returning to class, to consult with the teacher regarding missed work. The student may earn his/her participation grade by arranging an assignment with the teacher to cover the work missed.
2. Students who are unable to attend a class on a given day/period due to their participation in a school sponsored activity (e.g., music lessons, field trips) may arrange with their teachers to make up missed work.
3. Students with a high frequency of absences may be declared ineligible for field trips that would increase their number of absences.

Extended Absences

Any absence of five or more consecutive school days requires that a student be re-admitted through the Health Office with a physician's note certifying that the student may return to school. It is strongly suggested that parents keep a record of their children's absences to be checked against school records should a question arise.