



Fourth Avenue Junior High School
 Yuma School District One
 450 S. 4th Avenue
 Yuma, Arizona 85364



School Hours:
Office Hours: 8 AM – 4:00 PM
 T,W,TH, F: 8:32 AM – 3:39 PM
 Monday: 8:32 AM - 2:10

Phone: 928-502-7000
 Principal: Jose Cazares

Fax (928) 502-7065
 Vice Principal: Ana Ortega

Dear Parent/Guardian of _____,

It is important that we inform you of Fourth Avenue Junior High’s attendance policies and Arizona State law regarding attendance.

Arizona State Law:

- 15-803.A It is unlawful for any child between six and sixteen years of age to fail to attend school during the hours school is in session.
- 15-803.C-1 “Habitually truant” means a truant child who is truant for at least five school days within a school year.
- 15-803.C-3 “Truant child” means a child who is between six and sixteen years of age and who is not in attendance at a public or private school during the hours that school is in session.

School Policy:

Excessive absences: A student must attend class regularly to receive a passing grade. A student who is absent from a class more than ten percent (10%) of the number of required attendance days, and whose absences have materially affected their academic progress, may fail that grade, receive a lower grade, or be retained.

_____ ***Students who have more than (3) absences per quarter will be considered “habitually truant” and will require documentation from a doctor to verify a medical condition when absences exceed more than (3) days per quarter.**

_____ ***If your child has more than (3) absences per quarter, your child will not be permitted to attend any extra-curricular activities such as, but not limited to: athletic events, assemblies, field trips, etc. until the beginning of the next quarter unless they have a doctor’s note excusing the absences.**

_____ ***A “habitually truant” student will need a doctor’s note to have the absence excused. The doctor’s note must be received within 24 hours of the student returning to school. The doctor’s note must contain the dates and times seen and when the child is permitted to return to school. Notes received after this time cannot and will not be used to excuse the absence.**

_____ ***Parents may also bring their students into the school and the health aide will see the student and write an excused absence note if deemed necessary.**

_____ ***Attendance will be affected by students who are picked up from school prior to dismissal at 3:39 P.M.**

_____ ***Students who have more than (3) tardies (entering the school after 8:32 A.M.) will be considered “habitually truant” and will also require documentation from a doctor to verify a medical condition when tardies exceed more than (3) days per quarter.**

_____ ***Parent or Guardian has received (attached) a copy of the Yuma County Attorney’s Parent letter.**

****Please initial the lines above indicating that you have been informed of the attendance policy.**
 Since school attendance is mandatory, it is imperative that we work together to insure your child’s success in school. With your continued cooperation and help, we can improve your child’s educational opportunity. If you would like to discuss the matter, please call the school office at 502-7000 to schedule a meeting. Thank you.

Please sign below that you have been informed of Fourth Avenue Junior High’s attendance policy.

_____ Student’s Name

_____ Teacher’s Name

_____ Room #

_____ Parent/Guardian’s Signature

_____ Date