

Educational Enhancement Opportunity Request Form

To request an absence to attend or participate in an educational activity, please complete this application form and return it to your school principal at least **five (5) days prior to the absence**. Such an absence as requested by this signed application and approved by the school principal, will be considered an excused absence. The major intent of the activity must be educational in order for the student to be granted this type of absence. The proposed activity must have significant educational value and be composed of an intensive program related to the core curriculum. The Principal will use his/her good judgment to determine if the activity meets guidelines. A student may be approved for up to four (4) days of absence per year for this purpose. Students who are granted an absence under this law will be allowed to make up all school work. Student grades can not be affected by lack of attendance or participation in classes for approved days. **Product must be submitted to SIT team within three school days of students return from approved educational opportunity.**

Student Full Legal Name: _____ Date of Application _____

of Excused Absences To Date _____ # of Unexcused Absences To Date _____
of Total Absences to Date _____

Date(s) of Intended Absence(s) _____

Please explain the nature of the event the student will be attending and how the activity meets the criteria of (1) having an educational purpose, (2) having “significant educational value,” and (3) how the activity is **directly aligned to four (4)** of the core curriculum subjects standards **from one of the classes that student is currently taking**, as listed on the NCDPI website (English, science, mathematics, social studies, foreign language or the arts). Please attach a schedule of activities/events to be attended, **four (4)** educational standards as listed on the NCDPI website along with how they will be met, and planned product resulting from the opportunity. (Use additional paper, if needed, and attach to this completed form.) Refer to Product Guidelines Document for additional information on product creation.

Signature of Student *Date*

Signature of Parent/Guardian *Date*

Product Guidelines

1. The product should be something that is worthy of a presentation and shows alignment to standards listed above.
2. Should be something that contains daily activities while away from school on the trip in written format, at least one page per day of school missed, and demonstrate alignment to standards listed above.
3. Should contain original multi-media presentation. Example: Pictures while on trip, videos of performance, artwork that represents standards listed above.
4. Both the written aspect of the product and multi-media presentation must be presented to the SIT team at a Monday SIT team meeting.

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(THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL)

This request must meet all three criteria to be eligible for an educational opportunity absence:

1. This request is for an absence that will have “significant educational value” and be “intensive” in nature. Yes No
2. This trip is tied to one of the core curriculum subjects of English, science, mathematics, social studies, foreign language or the arts. Yes No
3. The major purpose of the trip is educational. Yes No

As Principal, I recommend I do not recommend that this educational opportunity absence be granted.

Principal’s Rationale

Signature of Principal

Date