



Attendance at ORVA

2021-2022 School Year

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Welcome to ORVA!

My name is Brittney Hague and I am the Student Attendance Specialist here at Oregon Virtual Academy. Many families wonder how attendance works at virtual schools. It is my hope that this letter answers any question you and your student may have about attendance.

At ORVA, attendance is made through attendance contacts with a teacher. Attendance contacts can be made through **any two-way, education-related communication with a teacher, advisor, or counselor.**

There are four main ways to make attendance contacts:

1. Attend a **live** Class Connect session
2. Watch a class recording and email the teacher after watching
3. A two-way, education-related email exchange with a teacher/staff
4. An education-related phone call with a teacher/staff

How to Make Attendance Contacts:

Attend a **LIVE**
Class Connect Session



Watch a Class Recording
AND
Email Teacher After



2-Way Email
Exchange with Teacher



Phone Call with Teacher



NOT an Attendance Contact:

✗ Watching a class recording **WITHOUT** emailing a teacher

✗ Parent communicating with a teacher

✗ Parent "logging attendance"

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After a student attends a live class or communicates with a teacher, advisor, or counselor, **the staff member will mark your student's attendance.**

Full Attendance

Elementary (K-5) - Needs 1+ attendance contacts each school day

Secondary (6-12) - Needs 2+ attendance contacts each school day

I compile the attendance reports and monitor students' attendance.

5 Days

If a student reaches five consecutive absences, the student, legal guardian, and Learning Coach will receive an email from me checking in and making sure you are aware of the absences.

5+ Days

After five consecutive absences, teachers and advisors will also be reaching out to see how we can support you and your student to improve their attendance.

10+ Days

Truancy Withdrawal

If a student reaches more than 10 consecutive, unexcused absences, the student will be withdrawn for truancy.

Excused Absences

We realize some absences are unavoidable due to health problems or other circumstances. If your student is experiencing any issues that are or will affect their attendance (such as illness, family emergency, vacation, technical issues, etc.), please send me or your student's advisor an email and let us know. I will let your student's teachers know and get their absences excused.



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I hope that this letter was able to answer any attendance questions that you had, but if not, please feel free to contact me with any attendance-related questions or concerns. I look forward to working with you soon and thank you for your support and cooperation.



Students who miss 10 or more days during the school year are 20% less likely to graduate from high school.

Half of students who miss 2-4 days in September will go on to miss nearly a month of school.

Research shows that missing only an average of 2 days a month negatively affects academic performance.

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"80% of success is just showing up."

- Woody Allen

"Every class. Every Day."