

COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE AGES

A "school-age person" means a person who is at least five (5) years of age prior to 12:01 a.m. on September 1 of the then current school year and who has not received a high school diploma or its equivalent and who has not reached the person's twenty-second birthday on the first day of the school year and meets other criteria provided in the Public School Finance Act.

Any parent, guardian or person having custody and control of a person subject to the provisions of the ~~Compulsory School Attendance Law~~ Attendance for Success Act is responsible for the school attendance of that person until that person has reached at least eighteen years of age unless the person has graduated from high school, ~~or~~ received a ~~general educational development certificate~~ school equivalency credential or withdrawn on a hardship waiver.

A person shall be excused from this requirement if, with the written signed permission of the parent, guardian or person having custody and control of the person to be excused, the person is excused from the provisions of this section by the Superintendent of schools for a hardship.

The school-age person shall attend school for at least the length of time of the school year that is established in the school district ~~or charter school~~ in which the child is a resident or enrolled and the school district ~~or charter school~~ shall not excuse a student from attending school except as provided in the ~~Compulsory School Attendance Law~~ Attendance for Success Act or for parent-authorized medical reasons.

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LEGAL REF.: 22-1-2 NMSA
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CROSS REF.: JE - Student Attendance
 JH - Student Absences and Excuses JHB - Truancy