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## **Pekin Public Schools District 108 Truancy and Absenteeism Procedures**

Pekin Public Schools District 108 has adopted the following procedures on absenteeism due to excessive absences based upon illnesses or personal days.

- A. If a student misses school for three (3) consecutive days, a doctor's note will be required stating the reason for the absences, any necessary treatment required upon return, and the number of days the illness required absence.
- B. If a student accumulates, at any point of the year, a 5% rate of absenteeism of the total number of days in attendance, a doctor's note will be required with the above mentioned information.
- C. If a doctor's note has not been provided to the school, a truant ticket will be issued to the parent, and an appearance in Court will be required.
- D. If a student is absent without an excuse, a truant ticket will be issued to the parents requiring a Court appearance.



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When a truancy ticket is issued, the following actions may take place:

FOR A STUDENT:

1. Court appearance is required
2. The Judge may order any combination of the following:
  - a. Court ordered attendance to the Juvenile Reporting Center program
  - b. Court ordered attendance to school
  - c. A fine from \$75.00 to \$750.00

If you fail to comply with any of the Judge's orders, he can find you Contempt of Court and you may be ordered detained in the Juvenile Detention Facility for up to 30 days.

FOR A PARENT/GUARDIAN:

1. Parental Responsibility truancy ticket is issued to the parent
2. Court appearance is required
3. The Judge may order any combination of the following:
  - a. Court ordered participation in the Juvenile Reporting Center program
  - b. Court ordered responsibility to ensure your child is in school
  - c. A fine from \$75.00 to \$750.00

If you fail to comply with any of the Judge's orders, he can find you in Contempt of Court and you may receive a jail sentence of up to six (6) months.