

### **EXCLUSIONS AND EXEMPTIONS FROM SCHOOL ATTENDANCE**

The law provides for the exemption of students of compulsory school age from attendance when the child is provided with competent alternative instruction for a like period of time as would be provided by the public schools. Excuse from school is effective without board action upon filing an application with the school superintendent/CEO.

The Board may revoke a certificate of excuse, if, upon inspection by the Secretary of Education, it is shown that the student is not being taught in compliance with the standards of state law. Upon revocation of a certificate of alternative instruction, the parent or legal guardian may appeal the decision to the State Board of Education, which will conduct a hearing. The State Board's decision will be final.

#### **Legal References:**

SDCL 13-27-3	<u>Child excused if provided alternative instruction</u>
SDCL 13-27-7	<u>Applications for excuse from attendance</u>
SDCL 13-27-8	<u>Appeal on attendance matters to state board</u>
SDCL 13-27-9	<u>Record of certificates of excuse from attendance</u>

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