



# KILLIAN

MIDDLE SCHOOL  
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## Truancy Information

Regular attendance in school plays an important role in your child’s education. The Lewisville Independent School District is introducing a Truancy Intervention Program to educate and encourage students to be in school every day. Daily attendance provides your child with the necessary tools to be successful in coursework. When your child receives an unexcused absence, this program could go into effect. The following gives an explanation of what might happen after each unexcused absence:

### 10 Unexcused Absences in a 6 month Period

- 1- Parent email or phone call or letter
- 2- Truancy Intervention Contract and/or Warning Ltr
- 3- Required ADAPT Evening Counseling
- 4- Lunch Bunch Counseling
- 7- Sign-in Contract with your principal (Student signs in w/ Assistant Principal every morning before school)
- 9- **Warning Letter\***
- 10- Truancy Filing with Denton County

### 3 Unexcused Absences in a 4 Week Period

- 1 - Parent email or phone call or letter
- 2- Truancy Intervention Contract and/or **Warning Letter\***
- 3- Truancy Filing with Denton County

School Policy requires you to bring a note within 3 days after **any** absence and to follow the attendance procedures of your child's school. If you have an excessive number of absences, the assistant principal or attendance clerk may notify the student and parent that a medical note is required for all future absences. Doctors, Dentists, Orthodontists, therapists, etc. are excused with a medical note from the medical office for the period of time that the appointment occurred. **If you fail to bring a medical note, the absence is unexcused.**

In the event that these measures do not prove to be effective, the following consequences will occur:

- LISD will file “Failure to Attend” charges on the parent
- You will be required to appear in Court on a specific date
- The court will impose fines and/or sanctions. This may include the following:
  - Being placed on Deferred Disposition for up to 180 days
  - Fines up to \$500 each day for every unexcused absence
  - Community Service
  - Mandatory Tutoring
  - Other Sanctions as deemed necessary by the Court.

*\*Becky Kerbow, Justice of the Peace, Denton County*

If you have any questions regarding our Truancy Intervention Program, please contact your child’s assistant principal.

Thank you,

Killian Middle School

\* A Truancy Warning Letter is the only communication a school is required to have with a parent before filing truancy charges. It is the parent's responsibility to monitor their child's attendance.