

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

POLICY STATEMENT:

It is the policy of the St. Johnsbury School District to set high expectations for consistent student school attendance in accordance with Vermont law in order to facilitate and enhance student learning.

BACKGROUND:

Vermont law requires school attendance for students between the ages of 6 and 16 so that a student may complete a course of study that will facilitate the transition to the responsibilities of adulthood. The St. Johnsbury School District believes consistent attendance is a prerequisite for assuring the academic, social, and emotional growth of students. In addition, regular and punctual attendance is important to the development of responsible and effective work/study habits as well as a demonstration that students are assuming responsibility for their own behavior. Encouraging students to take full advantage of their education is a shared responsibility of the students, families, schools, and communities.

DATE WARNED: **JULY 27, 2006**
DATE APPROVED: **AUGUST 7, 2006**