

## **Milford School District K - 12 Student Attendance Policy 5403 Extension: Remote / Hybrid Learning**

Given the exigencies of Covid-19 and as required by the August 26, 2020 Twenty-Fifth Modification: State of Emergency Declaration (“Order”), the Milford School District adopts this temporary attendance policy, as an extension of Board Policy 5403 Student Attendance K-12, of which this temporary policy shall expire without further action on the date the rescission or modification of the Order is effective.

Attendance and involvement in school each day is a fundamental condition to learning and student success. Attendance is required of all students enrolled in the District and the District will adhere to all state laws regarding student attendance.

During hybrid or remote learning, a school day shall consist of an average of 3.5 to 5 hours daily of synchronous (delivered same time) or asynchronous (not delivered same time) programming. Attendance may be based on a combination participation in, completion and/or submission of assignments as determined by existing practices.

It shall be the responsibility of the teacher or designated staff member to record attendance in eSchool. Excused and unexcused absences for any period of time shall be recorded consistent with existing practices.

- In addition to the excused absences listed in Board Policy 5403 Student Attendance K-12, the following will be considered excused absences: a. Documented power outage. b. Documented internet service provider outage. c. Documented unexpected technical difficulties such as software updates, password reset, etc. d. Complications created by the State of Emergency which interfere with student participation in school.

The District, through its schools, will provide outreach and support when students and/or families are not participating.

The District shall post this attendance policy on its website and notify a parent, guardian, or relative caregiver of each student in writing where this policy can be accessed. A hard copy shall be provided to a parent, guardian, or relative caregiver upon request.