

# REQUEST FOR EXCUSED ABSENCE FOR EDUCATIONAL REASONS

The North Carolina General Assembly passed General Statute 115C-378, entitled the Compulsory Attendance Law, in 1955 and amended it through 1992. This law, in conjunction with the rules and regulations of the North Carolina State Board of Education, makes parents and legal guardians responsible and accountable to insure that their children's absences from school are valid. Seven (7) types of valid absences are established by the rules and regulations set forth by the State Board of Education. Two of those types are absences resulting from religious observances and educational opportunities of a significant nature. The Wake County Board of Education Policy 6000 requires advanced permission for excused absences for educational purposes. The principal should deny the request if the cumulative effect of such absences would substantially interfere with the education of the student. If the principal does not approve this request, you will be promptly notified.

## REQUEST FOR ABSENCE TO BE EXCUSED ON EDUCATIONAL GROUNDS

For an excused absence for educational reasons, the intent of the experience should have been educational from the outset and comparable to that which the student would have experienced in school. Family trips and vacations that were not designed, initially, to be educational will not be excused. Signing this form documents that this absence is for valid educational purposes.

*As the parent or guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, I state that*  
(Student's Name)

*the absence from school for the dates of \_\_\_\_\_*  
(Date/s)

*is an educational opportunity that is of comparable value to my child's regular attendance in school.*

_____ School	_____ Grade	_____ Teacher/Homeroom
_____ Signature of Parent or Guardian	_____ Date	

Please briefly describe the educational opportunity. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Approved <input type="checkbox"/>	Not Approved <input type="checkbox"/>
_____ Principal (or Designee's) Signature	_____ Date



## BHS Educational Absence Student -Teacher Notification Form



Students must complete this form and turn in with an educational absence form to the attendance office prior to any educational absence. The student is responsible for arranging make-up sessions with teachers and making up any missed work in a timely manner. Educational absences will count as an absence for Senior Exemption Status. Teachers, please initial and note any concerns about this student being absent from your class during the missed day(s). Teacher concerns will not prevent a student from being approved.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of Educational Absence: \_\_\_\_\_

A Day	Class Period	Subjects	Teacher	Teacher Initial	Teacher Concerns
1A)					
2A)					
3A)					
4A)					

B Day	Class Period	Subjects	Teacher	Teacher Initial	Teacher Concerns
1B)					
2B)					
3B)					
4B)					

- Complete this form and turn in with any educational absence form prior to the date(s) of any proposed Educational Absence