

## COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE NOTICE

Pursuant to state law O.C.G.A § 20-2-690.1, each parent and student shall receive notice of the **COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE LAW**. Each parent, guardian or person having control or charge of any child between the ages of 6 and 16 are required to enroll and send said child to a public school, private school or any home study program that meets the requirements for public school, private school or any home study program.

### Consequences & Penalties for Failure to Comply with the Compulsory School Attendance Law

- 1) Any parent, guardian or person who has control or charge of children and violates the Compulsory Attendance Law shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Upon conviction, the parent, guardian or person having control or charge of a child or children shall be subject to a fine not less than \$25.00 and not greater than \$100.00, imprisonment not to exceed 30 days, community service or any combination of the penalties at the discretion of the Court.
- 2) Each day absence from school in excess of five (5) unexcused days of absence after notice has been given to the parent, guardian or person having control or charge of a child or children, shall constitute a separate offense of Georgia's Compulsory School Attendance Law.
- 3) After two reasonable attempts to notify the parent, guardian or person having control or charge of a child or children of five (5) unexcused absences without response, the school system shall send a notice to the parent, guardian or person having control or charge of a child or children by certified mail, return receipt requested.
- 4) Violation of Georgia's Compulsory School Attendance Law shall be referred to the Juvenile Court of competent jurisdiction.

**IT IS REQUIRED THAT YOU SIGN, DATE, & RETURN THIS ACKNOWLEDGMENT.** The school shall retain a signed copy of this notice through the end of the school year. All students over the age of ten (10) are required to sign this acknowledgement. ***The placement of your signature below acknowledges that you have received and reviewed the Compulsory School Attendance Law.***

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

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Student Signature *(Required for students ages 10+)*

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Date