TRUANCY

Through cooperation with parents, strict adherence to regulations in regard to tardiness and unexcused absence, and diligence in investigating the causes of absence, the Board will endeavor to reduce tardiness and truancy.

The district truancy officer will be responsible for enforcing the compulsory attendance laws which require regular attendance, provide for penalties if parents and guardians do not carry out their responsibilities, and establish procedures for referral of a truant student to juvenile authorities.

The district truancy officer shall make and file truancy complaints, and any teacher, school officer or any citizen may make and file a truancy complaint before the circuit court judge.

LEGAL REFS.: SDCL 13-27-14; 13-27-16; 13-27-18 through 13-27-21; 13-27-28

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