

Hózhó Academy
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Attendance for Success Policy
2025–2026 School Year

Regular attendance is critical for student success. Hózhó Academy follows the New Mexico Attendance for Success Act (Chapter 22, Article 12A NMSA 1978). With 190 instructional days in the school year, absences are tracked by percentage to identify levels of support.

- **Tier 1 – Universal Support (0–9 days, up to 5% of school year)**

Teachers in elementary school, or the Attendance Advocate in upper school, make the first contact with parents when attendance issues arise. A monthly attendance message will be included in the newsletter and shared on social media for families. Junior High School offers multiple field trips for enrichment and as attendance incentives.

Three family nights will be held to strengthen the sense of community and relay helpful information to parents. November’s family night will have a social media/electronics/attendance theme. January’s family night will have a math and attendance theme. In late March, the family night will have a literacy/reading/attendance theme, with discussion on summer reading lists.

- **Tier 2 – Targeted Support (10–18 days, 5–10% of school year)**

The social worker contacts parents to gather family input and offers support/resources. Family input will include logistical and social-emotional information that may be impacting attendance.

- **Tier 3 – Intensive Support (19–27 days, 10–15% of school year)**

Attendance Team Meeting held with teacher, social worker, admin, and parents. Students will be matched with a mentor adult if they exceed 25 absences.

- **Tier 4 – Intensive Intervention (28+ days, over 15% of school year)**

Social Worker makes referral to CYFD and/or FINS for ongoing unexcused absences.

The table below provides the cumulative absence threshold that will trigger tier interventions. This includes all absences, excused, unexcused, and verified.

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Tier 1 (early warning/teacher/Advocate)	5	9	9	9
Tier 2 (social worker)	10	12	15	18
Tier 3 (Family meeting)	19	19	22	25
Tier 4 (FINS report)	28	28	28	28
Tier 5 (Probation report)	31	31	31	31