

St. Clair County Schools

Attendance and Discipline Policy Overview

For a full description of these policies, please refer to the St. Clair County Code of Conduct Handbook.

Attendance

Elementary School – Tardy to School Ladder (per semester)

Tardy 1	Warning
Tardy 2	Warning
Tardy 3	1 Hour Detention
Tardy 4	Warning
Tardy 5	Warning with Parent Conference
Tardy 6	2 Hours Detention
Tardy 7	Saturday School
Tardy 8	1 Day of In-School Suspension
Tardy 9	1 Day of Out-of-School Suspension
Tardy 10	10 Day Placement at Alternative School

St. Clair County Juvenile Court Guidelines for the Early Warning Program are as follows:

Step 1	At 5 unexcused absences AND/OR 2 or more Class 2 Suspensions the Parent/Guardian will receive a letter from Juvenile Court requiring your presence in Judge Minor's Court in order to gain understanding and knowledge of the Compulsory School Attendance Law for the State of Alabama and/or be led to useful and helpful resources for behavioral issues at school.
Step 2	At 7 unexcused absences AND/OR 3 or more Class 2 Suspensions the Parent/Guardian will receive a letter from Juvenile Court requiring your presence, and the presence of your child, at your child's school for a conference with the Juvenile Probation Officer and a School Administrator.
Step 3	At 10 unexcused absences AND/OR 4 or more Class 2 Suspensions the Board of Education reserves the right to file a warrant for your arrest. The charge being: Failure to make a child attend school OR Failure to Compel a Child to Behave at School.

Additionally the St. Clair County Code of Conduct states: When a student has ten (10) unexcused absences, the school shall refer the student to Ruben Yancy Alternative School for a minimum of 20 days.

Discipline

Elementary School – Discipline Ladder

Step 1	Verbal Warning and Parent Contact
Step 2	30 Minutes to 1 Hour Detention
Step 3	Half-Day In-School Suspension and In-School parent Conference
Step 4	1 Day In-School Suspension or Saturday School
Step 5	1 Day Out-of-School Suspension
Step 6	3 Days Out-of-School Suspension
Step 7	Alternative School Placement

Infractions can start at different steps based on severity of the offense.