Dare to Soar

PINNACLE
CLASSICAL ACADEMY

REQUEST FOR EXCUSED ABSENCE FOR EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY

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 ensure that their children's absences from school are valid. Pinnacle Classical Academy Board of Directors requires advanced permission for excused absences for educational purposes. In order to receive an excused absence for educational reasons, the intent of the experience should be educational in purpose. Family trips and vacations, which are not designed to be educational, will not be excused.

REQUEST FOR ABSENCE TO BE EXCUSED ON EDUCATIONAL GROUNDS

For an excused absence for educational reasons, the intent of the experience should have been education 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.[1]

As the parent or guardian of _____,

I state that the absence from school for the dates of _____

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

Pinnacle Classical Academy   _____   _____
    (School)   (grade)   Teacher/Homeroom

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    Signature of Parent/Guardian   Date

Please briefly describe the educational opportunity. _____

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Approved _____   Not Approved _____

Headmaster's Signature _____   Date _____

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[1] Students who accrue absences due to an Educational Opportunity are still bound by the school's attendance policy. Middle School and High School students shall lose credit for the class with a permanent grade of "F" if they exceed 10 absences for the year. Elementary students shall lose credit with a permanent grade of "F" if they exceed 20 absences for the year. Please see
http://www.pinnacleclassicalacademy.com/parents/attendance for more information on absences and making up absences.
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