

72-8243. Referral of students; notice; resolving the problem. (a) If a pupil is required by law to attend school and is irregular in attendance at school, the pupil may be referred to the school attendance review board. Each board of education shall designate one or more employees to make such referrals. Upon making a referral, the employee shall notify the pupil and the pupil's parents or guardians, in writing, of the name and address of the school attendance review board and of the reason for the referral. The notice shall indicate that the pupil and parents or guardians of the pupil will be required, along with the referring person, to meet with the school attendance review board to consider a proper disposition of the referral.

(b) If the school attendance review board determines that available community services can resolve the problem of the referred pupil, the board shall direct the pupil or the pupil's parents or guardians, or both, to make use of those community services. The school attendance review board may require, at such time as it determines proper, the pupil or parents or guardians of the pupil, or both, to furnish satisfactory evidence of participation in the available community services.

(c) If the school attendance review board determines that available community services cannot resolve the problem of the referred pupil or if the pupil or the pupil's parents or guardians, or both, have failed to respond to directives of the school attendance review board or to services provided, the school attendance review board may notify the secretary for children and families or the appropriate county or district attorney. If the case is referred to the district court, the school attendance review board shall submit to the district court documentation of efforts to secure attendance as well as the board's recommendations on what action the district court shall take in order to bring about proper disposition of the case.

History: L. 1996, ch. 229, § 155; L. 2014, ch. 115, § 295; July 1.