

Enrolled
House Bill 3409

Sponsored by Representative EVANS

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to exceptions to compulsory school attendance; amending ORS 339.030.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 339.030 is amended to read:

339.030. (1) In the following cases, children may not be required to attend public full-time schools:

(a) Children being taught in a private or parochial school in the courses of study usually taught in kindergarten through grade 12 in the public schools and in attendance for a period equivalent to that required of children attending public schools in the 1994-1995 school year.

(b) Children proving to the satisfaction of the district school board that they have acquired equivalent knowledge to that acquired in the courses of study taught in kindergarten through grade 12 in the public schools.

(c) Children who have received a high school diploma.

(d) Children being taught for a period equivalent to that required of children attending public schools by a private teacher the courses of study usually taught in kindergarten through grade 12 in the public school.

(e) Children being educated in the children's home by a parent or legal guardian.

(f) Children who are present in the United States on a nonimmigrant visa and who are attending a private, accredited English language learner program in preparation for attending a private high school or college.

[(f)] **(g)** Children excluded from attendance as provided by law.

(2) The State Board of Education and the Higher Education Coordinating Commission by rule shall establish procedures whereby, on a semiannual basis, an exemption from compulsory attendance may be granted to the parent or legal guardian of any child 16 or 17 years of age who is lawfully employed full-time or who is lawfully employed part-time and enrolled in school, a community college or an alternative education program as defined in ORS 336.615. An exemption also may be granted to any child who is an emancipated minor or who has initiated the procedure for emancipation under ORS 419B.550 to 419B.558.

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