

**10A NCAC 09 .3003      PROGRAM ATTENDANCE POLICY**

When a child is absent for more than three consecutive days, the site-level administrator shall contact the child's parent to discuss the absences and determine whether the parent wishes the child to remain in the NC Pre-K Program. The site-level administrator shall document each attempt to contact the family and include decisions the child's parent makes regarding the child's continued participation in the program. The site-level administrator shall contact the local NC Pre-K contractor to share information related to the child's absence and to collaboratively determine what further actions may be necessary to maintain the child's attendance in the program. The site-level administrator shall not terminate a child's participation in the NC Pre-K program before determining if barriers to the child's attendance exist and can be remedied through assistance such as access to transportation or additional educational activities in the case of a child's illness or disability.

*History Note:      Authority G.S. 110-85; 110-88; S.L. 2011-145, s. 10.7(a);  
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