

**RULES
OF
THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**CHAPTER 0520-01-02
ADMINISTRATIVE RULES AND REGULATIONS**

AMEND Rule 0520-01-02-.17, State Attendance Guidelines, by adding the following as a new paragraph (5):

- (5) Notwithstanding any other provision of this rule, as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency in the spring semester of the 2019-20 school year, LEAs and public charter schools that choose to provide instruction during the period of school closure either virtually or via any form of remote learning may take attendance for purposes of determining the extent to which students have access to the instruction and the effectiveness of the remote programming; however, students shall not be given an unexcused absence or reported as truant as a result of any absences during the period of school closure.

Authority: T.C.A. § 49-6-3002(a); Executive Order No. 14 of 2020 (and applicable, subsequent Executive Orders addressing COVID-19 relief), Public Chapter 652 of 2020. **Administrative History:** (For history prior to June 1992, see pages iii through ix). Repeal filed March 16, 1992; effective June 29, 1992. New rule filed December 23, 2014; effective March 23, 2015.