

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
WILLOWS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
COUNTY OF GLENN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

RESOLUTION #2016-17-19

**AUTHORIZING ABSENCES FOR PARTICIPATION IN
RELIGIOUS EXERCISES OR INSTRUCTION**

WHEREAS, Education Code 46014 authorizes the Board of Education to adopt policy allowing students' absences for participation in religious exercises or instruction; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby declared to be the intent of the Legislature that this section shall be permissive only.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that pupils may be excused from school in order to participate in religious exercises or to receive moral and religious instruction at their respective places of worship or at other suitable place or places away from school property designated by the religious group, church, or denomination, which shall be in addition and supplementary to the instruction in manners and morals required elsewhere in this code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such absence shall not be deemed absence in computing average daily attendance, if all of the following conditions are complied with:

- a) Students will have written consent of their parents or guardians prior to attending such exercises or instruction.
- b) Each student shall attend the religious exercise or instruction at least the minimum school day.
- c) No student shall be excused from school for such purpose on more than four days per school month.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Education of the Willows Unified School District on May 4, 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: _____

NOES: _____

ABSENT: _____

ABSTENTION: _____

President, Board of Education

I, _____ Clerk/Secretary of the Board of Education of the Willows Unified School District, County of Glenn, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by said Board at a meeting held at its regular meeting place on May 4, 2017, which action is contained in the minutes of the meeting of said Board of Education.

ATTEST:

Clerk/Secretary, Board of Education