

# College Visits

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Here is some helpful information about the new college visits.

**Excused Absences for College Visits** -- FEA (R) states:

High school students who meet the following criteria will be allowed to make one (1) college visit during their junior year and one (1) college visit during their senior year:

1. The student must have passed the required parts of the TAKS test for the previous year.
2. The student must be on track to graduate on time.
3. The student is classified as a junior or senior based upon credits earned.
4. The student is passing all course work.
5. The student has no truancy or other attendance problems.
6. The student is not in a DAEP placement or assigned to a JJAEP.

Students must submit a written request (Exhibit C) so that eligibility criteria for an excused absence can be verified and approval granted prior to the student participating in a college visit. Approval will not be granted for a college visit on a day when major exams are scheduled. If prior approval is granted, verification of the visit must be submitted in order for the absence to be recorded as excused and to not be counted against exam exemptions.

If the college visit cannot be made on the date specified on the approved written request, a new request form must be submitted for consideration.