

**SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON
COUNTY OF YAKIMA
JUVENILE COURT**

(School District) Petitioner
vs. _____
Respondent(s)

Student
Student's D.O.B. ____/____/____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s)

**No:
Findings and Order on Truancy
Petition**

☐ **Findings of Truancy (ORFCT)**
☐ **Dismissal of Petition (ORDSM)**

(Name of School)

[Clerk's Action Required]

Interpreter ☐ YES ☐ NO

This matter came before the court on _____ (date), upon petitioner's request that the court issue an order regarding truancy petition to compel the student's school attendance. The petitioner appeared through its representative, _____, the respondent student ☐ did ☐ did not appear, the parent(s)/guardian(s) ☐ did ☐ did not appear with attorney, _____. Based on the evidence presented at the hearing and the records herein, the court finds and orders as follows:

I. FINDINGS

- 1.1 ☐ The ☐ student ☐ parent(s)/guardian(s) were served with the Petition Regarding Truancy and the order setting this hearing.
- 1.2 ☐ The ☐ student ☐ parent(s)/guardian(s) are in default.
- 1.3 ☐ The student has failed to attend school as required in RCW 28A.225.005.
- 1.4 ☐ A drug and alcohol assessment is appropriate to the circumstances and behavior of the child and will help the child's compliance with the mandatory attendance law.
- 1.5 ☐ A mental health evaluation or other diagnostic evaluation is appropriate to the circumstances and behavior of the child and will help the child's compliance with the mandatory attendance law.
- 1.6 ☐ There is an immediate health and safety concern or a family conflict that needs mediation such that temporary out-of-home placement is necessary.
- 1.7 ☐ The parent(s)/guardian(s) of the student violated the provisions of RCW 28A.225.010.
- 1.8 ☐ The petitioning school district has informed the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) to analyze the causes of absences and has taken steps to eliminate or reduce the child's absences pursuant to RCW 28A.225.020.
- 1.9 ☐ The school district's petition should be stayed for a period of _____ days to allow the school district further opportunity to intervene with the student.
- 1.10 ☐ The school district's petition should be dismissed.
- 1.11 ☐ Other: _____.

II. ORDER

- 2.1 ☐ The school district's petition is dismissed.
- 2.2 ☐ This court assumes jurisdiction over the truancy of respondent student, until ☒ the student's 18th birthday ☐ _____ (other date).
- 2.3 ☐ The student is ordered to attend school on a regular basis in the _____ School District as directed by the school district and have no unexcused absences or tardies.
- 2.4 ☐ The student shall complete a drug and alcohol assessment, follow all recommendations in the assessment and abstain from unlawful use of controlled substances or alcohol.
- 2.5 ☐ The student shall complete a mental health evaluation or other diagnostic evaluation and follow all recommendations.
- 2.6 ☐ The parent(s)/guardian(s) are ordered to use reasonable diligence to ensure that the student attends school as required by this order.
- 2.7 ☐ The school district shall file with the court a written progress report by _____ (date within 3 months), and every _____ month(s) from the date of the first report.
- The report must include the following: 1) any additional unexcused absences by the youth; 2) actions taken by the school district; 3) the outcome of the actions; and 4) an update on the youth's academic status.
- If a report is not filed by the above date, and periodically after that date, the court may set a hearing, dismiss the petition, sanction the parties for lack of compliance, or take any other such action as the court deems appropriate.
- 2.9 ☐ This case is scheduled for a final review hearing on _____ (in approximately 6 months, but no earlier than the end of the current school year). If no other motions have been filed, the case will be dismissed.
- 2.10 ☐ Other: _____
- _____
- _____

Important! Failure of the student or parents/guardians to comply with the terms and conditions of this order may result in a finding of contempt. A student would be subject to community restitution or other sanctions. A parent/guardian would be subject to monetary fines not to exceed \$25.00 for each unexcused absence or community restitution.

Dated: _____

JUDGE/COURT COMMISSIONER

Prepared by: _____

Agreed as to form: _____

Representative for School District

► _____
Parent's/ Guardian's signature

► _____
Student's signature