

COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE AGES

Under South Dakota law, children between six years old by the first day of September and age 18 eighteen years old are of compulsory school age. All children shall attend kindergarten prior to age seven. Any child who transfers from another state may proceed in a continuous educational program without interruption even if the child has not previously attended kindergarten. It is a criminal offense, called “Truancy” for any person having control of a child of compulsory school age to fail to have the child attend school as required by state law.

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