

Create Whole or Half Day Absences Type Letter

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Attendance letters using the Whole or Half Day Absences Letter Type uses student attendance minutes that meet the entered weight to generate a letter. Whole Day and Half Day minute values are entered on the [Calendar Information](#) tool. This type is best for elementary schedules that use an AM/PM period setup.

Verify the correct School and Calendar is selected in the Campus toolbar.

Refer to the Attendance Letter Workflow when creating a letter.

▶ [Click here to expand...](#)

Other Letter Types are available for selection. See the following table for a description of each letter type:

▶ [Click here to expand...](#)

Enter Letter Criteria

Selecting letter criteria is referenced in Steps 2-11 of the Attendance Letter Workflow.

1. Select the **New** button. A criteria entry screen appears.
2. Enter a **Name** for the letter.
3. Determine if students can requalify for the letter. If yes, mark the [Allow Letter Requalification](#) checkbox.
4. Enter **Weight** values for each Status/Excuse combination.
5. Enter the total **Qualification Criteria for Letter** value in the provided text box.
6. Choose the **Interval** to determine which attendance days will be counted. See the [Intervals](#) section for an explanation of each option.
7. If the letter interval is by Term or by Course/Term, and it should be made available for use at multiple schools in the district, and your chosen interval is by Term or by Course/Term, expand the **Select terms for additional calendars option**, and select the desired terms for each desired school.
8. If the letter should be run for a particular group of **Teachers** or **Sections**, select the relevant groups. When a specific teacher is selected, the list of sections are only those for which the

- selected teacher is the primary teacher. Or, leave the Teacher selection at **All Teachers** and **All Sections**, which lists every possible teacher and section.
- Indicate where the letter should be **Organized to**.
 - Click the **Save** button to save the letter. Click the **Save and Continue** button to enter the body of the letter. Both of these options do save the entered criteria.
 - Continue to the [Write the Body of the Letter](#) procedures.

Whole/Half Day Letter Types can only be created using the Status/Excuse Attendance Type.

The screenshot shows a web form for editing letter options. At the top, there is a field for the letter name, currently set to "Whole/Half Day Letter Type (sme)", and a checkbox for "Allow Letter Requalification". Below this is a section titled "Select a letter type and enter attendance criteria:". It includes a dropdown for "Type" (set to "Whole/Half Day Absences") and another for "Attendance Type" (set to "Status/Excuse"). A table follows with columns for "Status", "Excuse", and "Weight". The table contains three rows: "Absent Excused" with weight 1, "Absent Unexcused/Unknown" with weight 1, and "Tardy" with an empty weight field. Below the table is a field for "*Qualification Criteria for Letter" with the value 2. There are radio buttons for "Interval" (selected "by Year", with "by Term" and "by Date Range" as options). A section titled "Filter students by selecting teachers and/or sections:" contains two lists: "Teachers (Total 84)" with "All Teachers" selected, and "Sections (Total 1180)" with "All Sections" selected. Below these lists is a field for "Organized To:" set to "User Account". At the bottom are "Save" and "Save and Continue ->" buttons.

Whole/Half Day Absences Letter Editor Options

Write the Body of the Letter

Writing a letter is referenced in Steps 12-13 of the Attendance Letter Workflow.

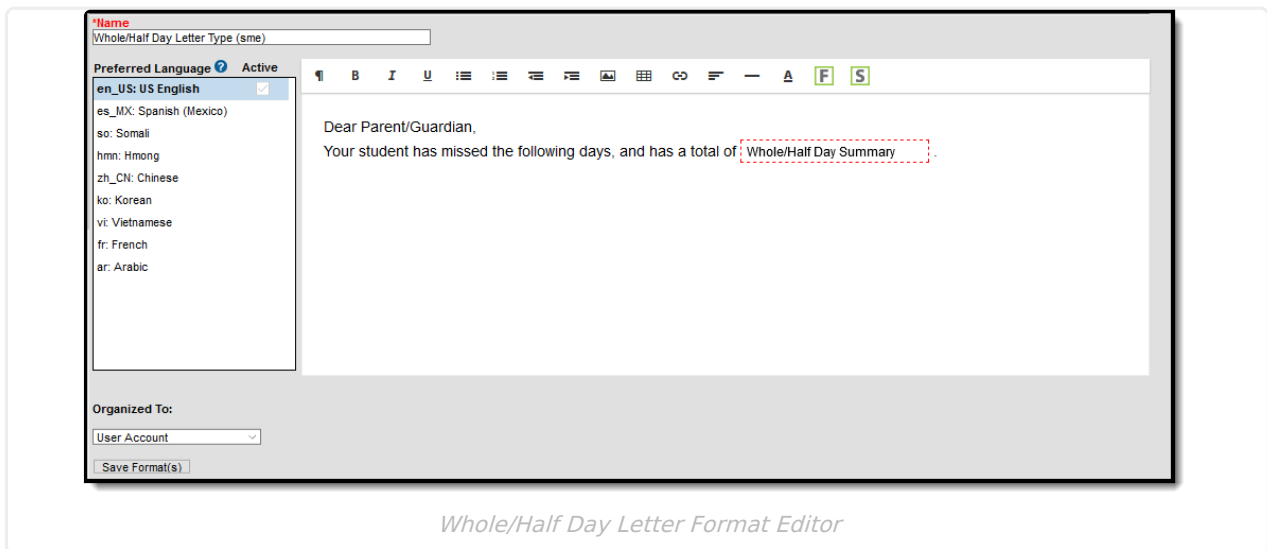
See the [Letter Format](#) article for detailed information about entering the text of the attendance letter, including how to create letters in multiple languages.

- Enter the text of the letter using the editor.
 - To insert a data element from Campus (such as guardian name or other data) to complete a mail merge, select the **Campus Field** icon at the top right of the editor. **NOTE:** When including guardian names, choose the mailingAddress.guardianXXX options from the Campus Fields (within Student > Census > Mailing Addresses section).
 - To insert a pre-formatted table of information (such as an attendance summary), select the **Campus Sub-Report** icon at the top right of the editor.

- When finished, click **Save Format**. A letter may be saved to a user account (by having user account selected in the organized to) or shared with a user group. When the letter is saved, it will be available for future selection from the main page of the Attendance Letter Wizard.

For additional information about using Campus Fields and Sub-Reports see the [Campus Field and Sub-Report Options](#) section. To create letters in another language, see the [Preferred Language Setup](#) section.

This example uses the Whole/Half Day Summary Subreport.



Generate and Print Letters

Generating and Printing Letters is referenced in Steps 14-19 of the Attendance Letter Workflow.

Information in this report uses data stored in the AttendanceDayAggregation table. This means that attendance data for the current date is accurate as of the previous night's attendance calculation, or the last time the Attendance Aggregation Refresh was run. If needed, the [Attendance Aggregation Refresh](#) tool can be run to force an attendance recalculation to pull in the current day's data.

Without an Ad hoc Filter

- Select the letter to generate from the Saved Letters list.
- Click the **Print and Preview Letters** button. A list of students who met the criteria of the letter are listed.

3. Review the list of students that met the criteria of the letter, and remove their selection as needed.
4. Click the **Preview** button to review the letter format prior to printing.
5. If satisfied with the format, click the **Print Letters** button, and select how to sort the letters and choose to record a PLP Contact record.

With an Ad hoc Filter

1. Select the letter to generate from the **Saved Letters** list.
2. Select the desired Ad hoc Filter.
3. Click the **Print and Preview Letters** button. A list of students who met the criteria of the letter and the criteria of the Ad hoc Filter are listed. See the [Attendance Letters and Ad hoc Filters](#) section for more information.
4. Review the list of students that met the criteria of the letter, and remove their selection as needed.
5. Click the **Preview** button to review the letter format prior to printing.
6. If satisfied with the format, click the **Print Letters** button, and select how to sort the letters and choose to record a PLP Contact record.

Senior High School
1234 School Lane
Any Town, MN 55555

Report generated:
09/25/2018

Student #:
Grade: 11
Birthdate: 05/20/2002

Parent/Guardian of: Student, Zoey
234 Main Street
AnyTown, MN 55555

Dear Parent/Guardian,
Your student has missed the following days, and has a total of

Term 1		Term 2		Term 3		Term 4		Total	
Absent	Tardy	Absent	Tardy	Absent	Tardy	Absent	Tardy	Absent	Tardy
1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0

Whole/Half Day Absence Letter Print