

# Marist College Health Excuse Policy

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## Excuse Notes

Marist Health Services does not provide excuses for routine illnesses, injuries, and mental health problems that may lead to missed classes, labs, studios, exams, or deadlines. This policy resembles those of most other colleges and universities and is consistent with the recommendations of the American College Health Association.

Marist College expects that students will be honest with their professors regarding their ability to complete work, and professors are expected to work with students on these issues. Academic advising staff are available to provide assistance to students or faculty members who have concerns about attendance issues.

## Absence of 4 days or longer

If a student has an illness or family emergency that will result in 4 or more days of absence, the student should contact individual professors as soon as possible, as well as the

**Center for Advising & Academic Services (CAAS) Donnelly Hall, Room 224**

**845-575-3500 845-575-3502 fax**

[www.marist.edu/academics/advise](http://www.marist.edu/academics/advise)

CAAS will need the student's CWID, the start and anticipated end date of absence, the reason for absence, and contact information. The office will send notification of absence to the student's professors and advisor.

## Assistance with serious, ongoing illness, or injury

If the student and Marist Health Services medical staff believe that providing information about a significant, ongoing health problem (not a short-term illness) could facilitate appropriate academic accommodations, Marist Health Services will, at the student's request and with the student's permission, communicate with the Center for Advising & Academic Services, as well as the Assistant Dean for Student Life and Development.

## Print this policy

If professors or instructors request that you present an excuse note for a short-term illness, please print a copy of this document to give to them. If you have ongoing concerns related to their request, please talk with your academic advisor.