

# Rowan County Schools

## Attend Today to Achieve Tomorrow

We care about your child and want to partner with your family to give your child every opportunity to be successful in school. Help us help you!



# Attendance Awareness Campaign

## #ShowUpTogetherRC

### What families can do to help.

- Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day.
- Schedule appointments after school hours when possible.
- Communicate with the school attendance clerk and your child's teachers when an absence is necessary.
- Remember that excused or unexcused absences are still days your child is missing instruction.



### Rowan County Schools Attendance Policy

#### Excused Absences

- 5 parent notes
- 2 mental health notes
- Doctors notes

#### Unexcused Absences

- After 3 a student is truant
- After 6 a student is referred to court

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#### Education Enhancement

- If you are going on an educational trip, complete the EHO form prior to your trip. Families get 10 a year.

**ATTENDANCE  
MATTERS.**  
*ALL DAY, EVERY DAY*

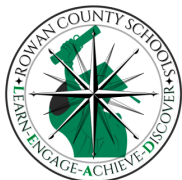
### Did you know?

- Missing 10%, or about 2 days each month over the course of a school year, can make it harder to learn to read.
- Starting in preschool and kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school.
- By 6th grade, absenteeism is one of three signs that a student may drop out of high school.
- By 9th grade, attendance is a better predictor of graduation rates than 8th grade test scores.
- Missing 10%, or 2 days a month, over the course of the school year, can affect a student's academic success.
- Students should miss no more than 9 days of school each year to stay engaged, successful and on track to graduation.

#rcLEAD 

# Rowan County Schools Support Teams

Our goal is to support you and your family in providing your child the greatest opportunity to receive the best educational experience possible. Reach out to your school or district team for resources and support. We are here for you!



## Rowan County Schools Central Office Team

**P. 606-784-8928**  
**F. 606-783-1011**

- Michael Rowe
  - Superintendent
- Julia Rawlings
  - Assistant Superintendent
- Denine Sergent
  - Director of Pupil Personnel
- Kellyn Gussler
  - Community Schools Director
- Julie Fannin
  - Director of Special Education & 504
- Renee Smith
  - Director of Nursing & District Health Services

## Rowan County Senior High School Team

**P. 606-784-8956**  
**F. 606-784-1067**

- Jordan Mann
  - Principal
- Lori Staggs & Robert Ginter
  - Assistant Principals
- Kim Elam & Terry Lewis
  - School Counselors
- Charles Graham
  - Resource Center Director
- Shawna Tackett
  - Nurse
- Robin Pollitte
  - Attendance Clerk

## Rowan County Middle School Team

**P. 606-784-8911**  
**F. 606-784-5579**

- Melissa Lewis
  - Principal
- JL Hylton
  - Assistant Principal
- Sheena Mann & Nicole Powell
  - School Counselors
- Whitney Watercutter
  - Resource Center Director
- Kathy Catron
  - Nurse
- Stacey Hammack
  - Attendance Clerk

## Rowan County Preschool Center Team

**P. 606-784-7721**  
**F. 606-783-9994**

- Katy Ingles
  - Director
- Christy Inscho & Renee Smith
  - Nurse
- Suzanne Holbrook-Jones
  - Attendance Clerk



## Clearfield Elementary School Team

**P. 606-784-5792**  
**F. 606-783-0557**

- Alexa Hardin
  - Principal
- Bethanie Henry
  - Instructional Coach
- Tiffany Johnson
  - School Counselor
- Laura Hurst & Tammy Cooper
  - Family Resource Center
- Angie Smart
  - Nurse
- Debbie Keaton
  - Attendance Clerk



## McBrayer Elementary School Team

**P. 606-784-1204**  
**F. 606-784-3567**

- Abby White
  - Principal
- Casey Hall
  - Assistant Principal/  
Instructional Coach
- Courtney Burnett
  - School Counselor
- Laura Hurst & Tammy Cooper
  - Family Resource Center
- Savannah Dillon - Hall
  - Nurse
- Amy Minor
  - Attendance Clerk



## Rodburn Elementary School Team

**P. 606-784-3000**  
**F. 606-783-7364**

- James Hood
  - Principal
- April Ratliff
  - Instructional Coach
- Kate Ritchie
  - School Counselor
- Logan Adkins & Teresa Egan
  - Family Resource Center
- Cassie Stanley
  - Nurse
- Glenola Morgan
  - Attendance Clerk



## Tilden Hogge Elementary School Team

**P. 606-784-4604**  
**F. 606-784-2456**

- Jessica Elliott
  - Principal
- Joy Buckler
  - School Counselor/  
Instructional Coach
- Logan Adkins & Teresa Egan
  - Family Resource Center
- Chelsey Roe
  - Nurse
- Krista Clark
  - Attendance Clerk