

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Attend to Achieve

MAKE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE A PRIORITY

- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day.
- Develop backup plans for getting to school if something comes up.
- Call on a family member, a neighbor or another parent.
- Help maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- Try to schedule extended trips when school isn't in session.

STAY HEALTHY

- Try to schedule medical appointments when school isn't in session.
- If your child must stay home because they are sick, make sure they have the resources and materials to make up for the missed learning time in the classroom.

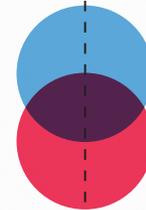
STAY ENGAGED

- If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to teachers, school counselors and other parents for advice on how to make your child feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- Find out if your child feels engaged by their classes and feels safe from bullies and other threats.
- Monitor your child's academic progress and seek help from teachers or tutors when necessary.
- Stay on top of your child's social contacts. Peer pressure can lead to skipping school, while students without many friends can feel isolated.



DAYS
A MONTH

That's all it takes to be
CHRONICALLY ABSENT



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