

Attention Oakridge Families,

It is important to take an active role in your kid's lives. Checking homework, talking about school, and making education important seems to lead to good attendance and school success. Oakridge is starting an attendance incentive to encourage all students to be present and ready to learn each day. All grade levels that have **95% attendance and above** will participate in a movie and popcorn celebration at the end of 3rd and 4th quarters.

Help your children get to school on time every day by creating a morning routine and sticking to it. Absences affect the whole classroom because teachers need to change their pacing to catch up absent students. Students that miss a lot of days fall behind. This affects their confidence and how they feel about school.

If an absence is necessary, make sure to contact the school office. To ensure the absence is excused, bring doctor's notes. Take the time to help your child catch up by providing time for them to complete missed work on the day following an absence. Please do not forget that two tardies equal 1 day of absence. If possible, schedule appointments before or after school to avoid missing important learning time.

Good luck to all grade levels on reaching your goal of **95% attendance and above!**

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