

HELP YOUR CHILD SUCCEED

Build the Habit of Good Attendance

DID YOU KNOW?

- Students should miss no more than 9 days of school each year to stay engaged and successful.
- Frequent absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school, struggling with school work, dealing with a bully or facing some other difficulty.
- 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.

WHAT YOU CAN DO?



Make it a Priority

- Maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep
- Try to schedule dental and medical appointments after the school day
- Keep your student healthy
- If your child must stay home due to illness or quarantine, ask the teacher for resources and ideas to continue learning at home.



Stay Engaged

- Notice and support your student if they show signs of anxiety
- Monitor your students academic progress and seek help when needed
- Stay on top of your student's social contacts
- Address behavioral issues or school discipline policies that may lead to your student missing class.



Communicate

- Know the school's attendance policy – incentives and penalties.
- Check on your student's attendance to be sure absences are not adding up.
- Seek help from school staff, other parents or community agencies if you need support.