

**Q: How quickly does the attendance get updated?**

A: Calls on the attendance line are usually inputted within 2 hours of the message. When a student is signed out or in it could take the school day. Please give us 24 hours to input all absences. If, after 24 hours, you notice an error then please notify attendance.

**Q: My student had to use the bathroom before 3rd hour. Can I excuse their tardiness?**

A: No, a parent can only excuse their student's tardiness on the way into school. Once here, the student is expected to go to class on time, be present for roll call, and then ask to use the bathroom. Students are not permitted to use the bathroom during the first or last 10 minutes of class to help ensure students are present when class starts and at the end of class. This ensures the safety of our students.

**Q: My student just came late to 1st hour, why was he marked as missing the whole class?**

A: A student must be in the class for over half the class period to get credit for being present that period. For example, if a student comes into 1st period at 7:50am it is considered an absence. If the student came in at 7:45 am it would be considered tardy. The cut-off time for 1st period on a normal scheduled school day is 7:48 am. Half day Wednesday is 7:42 am.

**Real Numbers!**

In September we had 1,396 absences. We already have 1,380 for October (and we had a week off for Fall Break). Let's try to get back on track in November and get our kids to school!

We have had 1,479 tardies this month. That is almost 1,500 interruptions to your child's classes! Please be mindful that tardies affect every student and take away from instructional time.