



WE GROW *Together* ONE DAY AT A TIME!

WHY ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Showing up is the first step toward achieving success. Children benefit and make the most of their educational opportunities if they attend school regularly and on time

Missing an average of 1.5 days a month can add up to nearly an entire year's worth of school time lost throughout a child's K-12 journey.

Texas State Law requires regular attendance and includes the "90% Rule" – in order to receive credit for a final grade for a class, students are required to attend class 90% of the days a class is offered regardless of whether the student's absences are excused or unexcused.

18 OR MORE DAYS

Chronic absences

Missed days can add up fast and represent lost opportunities to learn.

10 TO 17 DAYS

Getting behind

Missing a day of school can put your child two days worth of learning behind their peers.

9 OR FEWER DAYS

Good attendance

Students with good attendance generally achieve higher grades and enjoy school more.

TIPS FOR AWESOME ATTENDANCE

Be proactive: Help/remind your child to prepare their clothes, backpack, lunch and any other supplies needed for school the night before.

Try not to schedule medical and dental appointments during the school day. If necessary, schedule appointments after 10:30 a.m. and bring back an excuse note from the health care provider.

Don't let your child miss school unless they are too sick to participate. In general, children with fever, vomiting, diarrhea, or a contagious illness should stay home and not come to school until symptom-free for at least 24 hours unless directed otherwise by a health care provider/school nurse.

Notify the school if your child will be absent from school and send a note with them when they return.



DON'T FORGET!

1. Send a note with every absence.
2. Excused and unexcused absences both count towards the 90% attendance law.
3. Students will be withdrawn after the 10th consecutive absence.