

Dear Families,

Welcome to the new school year, an exciting time for everyone! We're excited for a great year of learning and growth for all of our students!

This school year, the Brandywine School District is continuing our "4 Or Less = Success" school attendance campaign to promote good student attendance. Good attendance means coming to school on time and staying all day, every day, which is key to every child's success. After all, students must be present to learn!


All absences, whether excused or not, add up. Chronically absent students are more likely to read below grade level, have lower math and reading test scores, repeat a grade, and drop out of high school.

What you can do:

- Talk to your child about how going to school every day will help them do well in school and achieve their hopes and dreams.
- Keep an attendance chart at home to track absences.
- Recognize your child for attending school every day.
- Find a relative, friend, or neighbor who can take your child to and from school if you can't.
- Set up medical appointments for weekdays after school.
- Make attending school every day a priority unless your child is truly sick

For more information and resources, visit www.brandywineschools.org/4orLess

The Brandywine School District wants all children to attend school each day so they can be successful in the future! We will be sending more information, materials, and tips about attendance throughout this school year. Please join us in making school attendance a priority so that we can help all of our children learn, achieve, and succeed.



✓ Arrive to school on time.
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✓ Aim for 100% attendance.

DAILY LATENESS EQUATES TO

5 MINUTES LATE = 15 HOURS OF LEARNING LOST	3 DAYS OF LEARNING LOST
10 MINUTES LATE = 30 HOURS OF LEARNING LOST	6 DAYS OF LEARNING LOST
15 MINUTES LATE = 50 HOURS OF LEARNING LOST	10 DAYS OF LEARNING LOST



Sincerely,

Llewellyn A. Small

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Principal