



School Attendance

Every Day Counts!

Improving average daily attendance by 1% annually = \$1.5M* in funding for our schools!

*approximation based on current enrollment



MYTH vs. REALITY

Myth:

“Our schools receive funding for every student who is enrolled, so absences don’t matter.”

Reality: In California, public schools are funded based on Average Daily Attendance (ADA). If a student is not in class, the school does not receive funding for that day, regardless of their enrollment status.

Myth:

“Excused absences, like a doctor’s appointment, are different and don’t affect funding.”

Reality: All absences, excused or unexcused, result in a loss of funding for our district. The only way for the school to receive funding is for the student to be physically present in class.

DID YOU KNOW?

By 9th grade, attendance is a better predictor of graduation rates than 8th grade test scores.

