Moapa Valley
High School
Home of the PIRATES

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

This letter addresses a crucial aspect of student success: maintaining consistent and on-time attendance at school. Arriving on time regularly is vital for your child's academic achievement and overall well-being at Moapa Valley High School.
While unforeseen circumstances can cause delays, frequent tardiness and absences can have adverse effects:

- Disrupted Learning: Late arrivals can disrupt the learning environment for the whole class, including the late student. Students may miss critical introductions, warm-up activities, or essential instructions that are necessary for understanding the lessons.
- Academic Impact: Consistent tardiness/absences can hinder a student's educational progress, making it challenging to catch up on missed material.
- Social and Emotional Impact: Chronic tardiness/absenteeism can negatively impact a student's ability to build relationships with peers and teachers, potentially leading to feelings of isolation or decreased self-esteem.

Punctuality is a key part of student success. Parents are encouraged to review their child's attendance and discuss the importance of punctuality.
Tips that may improve morning routines and promote punctuality:

- Establish a consistent bedtime and morning schedule.
- Prepare computers, backpacks, and lunches the night before.
- Discuss with the child why being on time for school is essential.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding. The school values your commitment to your child's education and looks forward to working together to ensure a positive learning experience at Moapa Valley High School.

Sincerely,

Moapa Valley School Administration and Staff



DAILY ON TIME ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

1 or 2 days a week doesn't seem like much, but…

If your child misses…	That equals…	Which is…	And over 13 years of schooling, that's….
1 day every 2 weeks	**18 days a year**	**Almost one month**	**Over a year**
1 day per week	**36 days a year**	**Almost two months**	**Almost two years**
2 days per week	**72 days a year**	**Over 14 weeks**	**Over 5 years**

How about 5 or 10 minutes late for a class?
Surely that won't affect my child!

He/She is only missing just…	That equals…	Which is…	Since each class meets about 8,000 minutes per year, that's about…
5 minutes of class	**25 minutes per week**	**900 minutes per year**	**11.25% of the class missed**
10 minutes of class	**50 minutes per week**	**1800 minutes per year**	**22.5% of the class missed**
20 minutes of class	**100 minutes per week**	**3600 minutes per year**	**45% of the class missed**