EVERY DAY MATTERS
SCHOOL+YOU = SUCCESS

Your child's regular attendance in school encourages academic and social-emotional success. Together, families, educators, and community members can support a child's attendance and help each student stay on the path to success.

It doesn't matter whether the absences are excused or unexcused -- each missed day represents missed learning time. Missed days add up quickly: When a student misses as few as two days a month, that's 10% of the school year. This increases the risk of academic and social-emotional struggles. (2 absences a month x by nine months = 18 days/10% of missed school days in a school year.)

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Build Relationships

Students do best in a warm, safe and welcoming environment. We can all help by:

- Ensuring every student is connected with an adult within his or her school who can watch for issues and help with solutions.
- Helping students build relationships with classmates and peers.
- Planning for success by setting attendance goals and addressing possible obstacles in advance.

Plan Ahead

Things don't always go smoothly. Planning ahead can help be ready for issues with:

- Transportation (Explore carpool, bus, safe walk/bike options.)
- After school pick-up and care (Have a back-up!)

Ask For Help

Visit 211info.org to learn about local community resources, or ask your school for suggestions.

- Shelter, food, clothing
- Health issues
- Acute or chronic illness
- Mental health services
- Behavioral support
- Oral (mouth and teeth) health

Use Life Hacks

Work on household routines to make it easier to get out the door. Find tips for the following at Every-Day-Matters.org:

- Evening routines
- Homework help
- Getting ready
- Planning for the day

Keep Track of Time

Successful students attend school regularly, with support from all of us at school, home and the community. Track missed days here:

1	2	3	4	5	6
Date	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date
Reason	Reason	Reason	Reason	Reason	Reason

Satisfactory Attendance

7	8	9	10	11	12
Date	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date
Reason	Reason	Reason	Reason	Reason	Reason

Satisfactory Attendance | **Moderate Chronic Absence, Ask for Help**

13	14	15	16	17
Date	Date	Date	Date	Date
Reason	Reason	Reason	Reason	Reason

Moderate Chronic Absence, Ask for Help

18 or more:

Chronically Absent, Ask for Help

Too Sick for School?

Students can go to school if:

- They have a runny nose or little cough, but no other symptoms.
- They haven't taken any fever-reducing medicine for 24 hours, and have been fever-free during that time.
- They haven't thrown up or had diarrhea for 24 hours.

Keep students home if:

- They have a temperature higher than 100 degrees even after taking medicine.
- They are throwing up or have diarrhea.
- Their eyes are pink and crusty.

Call the doctor if:

- They have a temperature higher than 100 degrees for more than two days.
- They've been throwing up or have diarrhea for more than two days.
- They've had the sniffles for more than a week, and aren't getting better.

These are generally accepted guidelines. Every body is different. If you are unsure, ask your health care provider or call your school.

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More resources: Visit your school district's website for more information or visit Every-Day-Matters.org.