### The #1 School Success Factor



## REGULAR ATTENDANCE IS CRUCIAL FOR SUCCESS IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

#### Absences add up

Even if your child misses just a few days here and there, his/her grades are likely to suffer.

According to research, missing two days a month negatively impacts a student's academic performance.

Absences affect the whole classroom if the teacher has to slow down learning to help children catch up.

#### Elementary attendance affects reading

Frequent absences in elementary school have been shown to significantly affect a student's reading skills.

#### Elementary attendance problems can negatively

#### impact a student's future

Research shows that by sixth grade, attendance problems become a leading indicator that a student will drop out of high school.

#### Attendance affects social growth

Elementary students are sill learning social and emotional skills that will help them throughout their lives. At school, they learn to interact with others, make friends, and build relationships with adults outside their family.

HELP YOUR CHILD SUCCEED IN SCHOOL MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD IS IN SCHOOL EVERY DAY!

# If your child is missing school too often, these tips might help.

#### **DEVELOP ROUTINES.**

Get everything your child needs for school ready the night before. Set out (or have your child set out) clothes, shoes, socks, coat, and backpack.

Also, make sure your child goes to bed early enough to get a good night's sleep - and gets up in time to have a good breakfast and get to school on time.

#### **GET SUPPORT.**

If you have difficulty getting your child to and from school, or if your child doesn't seem to want to go to school for any reason, talk to your child's teacher, school counselor, or an administrator. Work together to resolve whatever issue is having a negative impact on your child's attendance.

#### BE INFORMED.

Know parent drop off times and school bell times. Determine what time your child needs to be "out the door" to get to school on time.

FIRST BELL TIME		
LATE BELL TIME		
TIME TO BE "OUT	THE DOOR"	 



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