

Why does Attendance Matter ?

FACT:

Half of the students who miss 2-4 days of school in the first month will miss a month of school during the year.

FACT:

Students who miss 4 days during the first month of school will average 6-9 days each month throughout the year. That adds up to 70 days or almost 40% of the school year.

FACT:

A student is considered chronically absent/truant if they miss over 20 days in the school year. That would be an average of 2-3 days per month.

FACT:

Of the students who are chronically absent in kindergarten and first grade, 83% of them will not reach proficient reading levels by the end of third grade.

FACT:

Students who reach sixth grade are more likely to drop out of school if they have chronic attendance issues, are struggling with Math or English, and have been suspended for 3 or more days from school.

FACT:

Students can begin to reverse their academic struggles by improving their attendance.

FACT:

Students who attend school set up routines for future employment and arriving for work on time every day.

FACT:

School only gets harder for students who stay home.

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COUNTS!**

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