



## TIPS TO HELP YOUR STUDENT

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1. Speak to your child about the importance of attendance and how it can affect their learning.
2. Talk to your child about responsibility and the need to develop good work habits and positive attitudes.
3. Make every effort to schedule doctor, dentist, and other appointments after school hours.
4. When you must schedule appointments during the school day, try to stagger them so that your child does not miss the same class every time.
5. If your child must be out of school for an appointment, make every effort to get him/her back to school for at least part of the school day.
6. Practice NOT keeping your child home for anything other than a legitimate reason.
7. Plan vacations in accordance with the school calendar. We do our best to plan vacations and days off around the time that parents will typically be off from work.
8. Make sure that your child understands that it is his/her responsibility to make up work required by the teacher(s), and if you know in advance that your child must be absent, please let the office and your child's teacher(s) know, when possible.
9. If your child is sick, please remember to call in their absence as soon as possible. The attendance line is available 24 hours a day.
10. Check your child's attendance regularly and keep a calendar at home to track any days missed.
11. Update emergency contact information immediately as changes occur. If you do not have updated contact information at the school, you may not be notified if your child is safe in case of an emergency.
12. Volunteer at the school whenever possible, even if it is just one day a month.
13. Find out what the school's chronic absence rate is and make a commitment to support the school in its efforts to improve it.

PARENTS AND FAMILIES MUST BE ACTIVE PARTNERS IN DEALING WITH THEIR STUDENT'S ATTENDANCE. WHEN PARENTS ARE INVOLVED IN THEIR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION, STUDENTS DO BETTER IN SCHOOL AND IN LIFE. PARENTS BECOME POSITIVE INFLUENCES, TEACHER MORALE IMPROVES, SCHOOLS GET BETTER, AND COMMUNITIES GROW STRONGER.