

Attendance

Encouraging regular school attendance is one of the most powerful ways you can prepare your child for success—both in school and in life. When you make school attendance a priority, you help your child get better grades, develop healthy life habits, avoid dangerous behavior and have a better chance of graduating from high school.

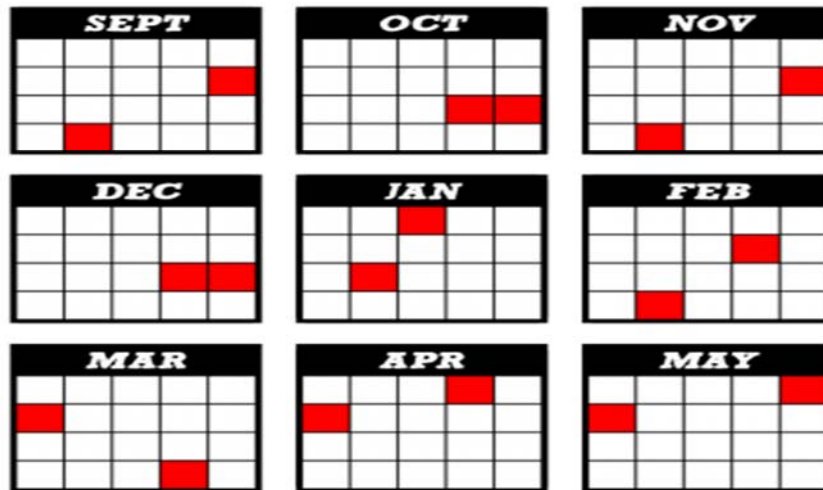
Students who attend school regularly also feel more connected to their community, develop important social skills and friendships.

When kids are absent for an average of just two days of school per month—even when the absences are excused— it can have a negative impact. These absences can affect kids as early as Kindergarten.

What do parents need to do when students are going to be absent:

- The parent is required to notify their child's teacher if the child will be absent or late via phone call or written note.
- Upon the child's return to school a written note must be sent explaining the reason for the absence. This includes tardy and early sign out.

***2 Absences Per Month
x 9 Months of School
= Less Likely to Graduate
from High School***



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