

Did You Know?

Attendance Matters!

Research shows missing just 2 days every month **NEGATIVELY** impacts a student's academic success.

Absences Add Up!

EXCUSED OR UNEXCUSED does not matter - too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school!

Early Years Matter!

School attendance is a baseline factor in determining student success. Build good attendance habits early!

It's Never Too Late!

When students improve their attendance rates, they improve their academic prospects and chances for graduating!

School Contacts

ECC: 564-6400
SHE: 564-6432
MES: 564-6430

When is sick too sick for school?

Keep me at home if.....

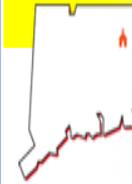
- I have a temperature higher than 100 degrees.
- I'm throwing up or have diarrhea.
- My eyes are pink and crusty.

Send me to school if.....

- I have a runny nose or just a little cough, but no other symptoms.
- I haven't taken any fever reducing medicine for 24 hours, and I haven't had a fever during that time.
- I haven't thrown up or had any diarrhea for 24 hours.
- It's been 24 hours after initial dose of antibiotics for Strep throat or treatment for Conjunctivitis (pink eye).

School Contacts

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**80% of
Success is
Showing
Up**



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Elementary Pre school-Grade 5

You Know...

Missing school just one or two days every few weeks can:

- Make a child fall behind.
- Develop poor attendance habits that could be hard to break.
- Make it hard to nurture early reading skills.
- Affect the rate of classroom learning by slowing down to help children catch up

You Can...

- Set regular bed times and morning routines.
- Keep your child home ONLY when they are TRULY SICK.
- Make a back-up plan to get your child to school if something comes up.
- Make medical appointments and plan vacation trips when school is out of session.
- Let your child know that attendance matters and it is non-negotiable. A child CAN'T learn if they aren't in class.

Middle School Grade 5-8

You Know...

- Students should not miss more than 9 days a YEAR to stay engaged.
- Excessive absences can be a sign that a student is losing interest in school.
- When a student falls behind they may feel overwhelmed and could cause them to miss more time.
- Absenteeism is 1 of 3 signs that a student may drop out of high school.

You Can...

Make School Attendance Matter!

- Schedule appointments after school when possible.
- Keep your child home only when they are truly sick.

Help Your Teen Stay Involved!

- Motivate your child to partake in after-school activities.
- Stay on top of academic progress.
- Know your child's friends.

Communicate with the School!

- Talk to your child's teachers if you notice changes in behavior or academics.

High School Grade 9-12

You Know...

- Missing 10% of the school year can drastically affect a student's academic success.
- Good attendance is a better predictor of graduation rates than test scores.
- Attendance is an important life skill that will help your child succeed in college and keep a job!

You Can...

Do everything you did in middle school, plus...

- Know the attendance policies and credit requirements for graduation.
- Check your child's attendance on line to be sure that absences are not piling up.
- Keep your child home only when they are truly sick.

You play an important role in making sure your child gets to school on time everyday because...

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!!

Attendance is important for success in school and on the job.