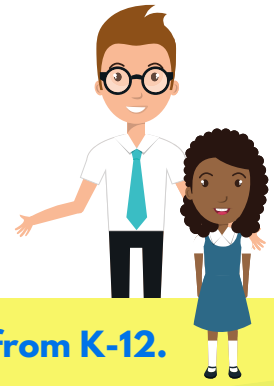




# WHY ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Being present and on time has a positive impact on learning from K-12.

## Stay on Track

It is difficult to “catch up” when time is missed. Starting the day late can impact your child's entire day and affects the whole classroom



## Reduce Anxiety

Your child will feel connected academically and socially when they have good attendance



## Build Confidence

Good school attendance helps to build habits that will last a lifetime and transfer to life beyond public school



Did you know?



**Absenteeism is associated with lower academic achievement in reading, math, and general knowledge in the early school years, which can cause students to struggle in later years.**



## When Do Absences Become a Problem?



**Chronic Absence**  
18+ days

**Worrying**  
10-17 days

**Very Good**  
9 or fewer days

## What Can You Do?

- Set a regular bed time and morning routine.
- Get clothes and backpacks ready the night before.
- Only let your child stay home if they are truly sick. Keep in mind complaints of a stomach ache or headache may be signs of school anxiety.
- If your child seems anxious about going to school, talk to their teacher, school counselor, or principal for advice on how to make them feel comfortable and excited about learning.
- Avoid appointments and vacations when school is in session.
- Have a back-up plan for getting to school if something comes up.



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