



BRIDGEPREP ACADEMY

ATTENDANCE BULLETIN

ATTEND TODAY, ACHIEVE TOMORROW!

HELPFUL TIPS FOR AWESOME ATTENDANCE

- Remind your child that school is their first and most important job! Tardies and early release times can count as "parts of days."
- Communicate the importance of regular school attendance to your child so they are hearing the same thing we are saying at school.
- If your child has a doctor/dentist appointment, they can still get credit for a full day if they attend at least some of the day. You can bring them before or after their appointment with the note from the doctor.
- If your child is running a fever, vomiting, or has diarrhea they need to be kept home—if they do not have any of these symptoms, please send them but inform the teacher so that they can monitor them.

**BRING YOUR
"A"
GAME
ATTITUDE,
ACADEMICS,
ATTENDANCE**

DO THE MATH:
Kindergarten-12th grade= 13 years of school
Missing just 1.5 days per month x 9 months
in a school year =13.5 days
13.5 days x 13 years= 175.5 days= Almost
1 whole year of school

BE PROACTIVE

Notify the school of any absence and send a note to school with your child.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE POLICIES

- Missing five or more consecutive days require a written statement from a doctor.
- A maximum of 10 handwritten parent notes are accepted per school year for absences.
- After the 10th parent note, all other excused absences must be for a medical reason.

CHRONIC ABSENCES

18 OR MORE DAYS

- Excused and unexcused absences represent lost time in the classroom and lost opportunities to learn.
- Missing just one day every two weeks can add up to 18 days in a year. Absences add up before you even know it.

WARNING

10 TO 17 DAYS

- Students who are absent an average of 15 days a year miss a year's worth of all school before their senior year.
- When students miss a day of school it actually puts them two days behind their classmates.

GOOD ABSENCES

9 OR FEWER ABSENCES

- Students with good attendance generally achieve higher grades and enjoy school more.
- Children benefit and make the most of their educational opportunities if they attend school regularly and on time.

**BETTER
ATTENDANCE
EQUALS BETTER
PROGRESS**