

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

What are Excused Absences & Tardies?

- Illness
- Medical appointments
- Funeral
- Quarantine
- Court Appearance
- Religious holiday, ceremony, retreat
- Employment interview for student
- Deployment of immediate family member (EC §48205(a))

All other reasons are UNEXCUSED even if approved by a parent/guardian.

What is Independent Study Program (ISP)?

- Parents may request ISP for extended family travel from 5-30 school days to avoid unexcused absences.
- Students are provided one work assignment for each day absent from school. Incomplete assignment will count as "unexcused" days of absences.

Contact the school office for more information.

Tardy? Don't Be Late!

- Arriving late causes students to fall *behind* in their lessons and may bring *negative* feelings and attention to themselves.
- Tardiness creates a *disruption* for the learning of other students.
- Frequent tardiness without a valid excuse is considered truancy under state law.
- If a student is late, he/she should bring an excuse from home to the school office.

Questions? Call us at: _____

What are UNEXCUSED Absences & Tardies?

Examples:

- Family Vacation
- Outings or Extending Holidays
- Sporting events
- Appointments with the DMV
- Political Rallies

Any Reasons that are not in the Excused List!

Who is Truant?



- California Education Code (EC §48260) states that students are truant if they have three (3) or more days of unexcused absences or tardies of more than thirty (30) minutes in one school year.

Did You Know?

- Students with more than 10 EXCUSED absences in a school year will need to have all absences verified by a health professional starting with the 11th absence and beyond.
- Unverified = Unexcused

Helpful Tips of Attendance

- Drop your child off early. School opens at 7:30am.
- Talk to your child about the importance of school attendance.
- Be sure your child is in his/her seat when the bell rings not on his/her way to class.
- Prepare for the school the night before:
 - Set a morning schedule to ensure arrival to school on time.
 - Have clothes picked out.
 - Have everything for school already packed.
 - Set a working alarm.
- Trouble getting out of bed? Receive a wake-up call once a week from someone famous!
 - Sign up here: <https://getschooled.com/wakeup>



 WHEN YOUR CHILD IS ABSENT, PLEASE CALL THE SCHOOL OFFICE AT 626/943-3341. IF YOU FORGET TO CALL, SEND IN A NOTE UPON THEIR RETURN. UNCLEARED ABSENCES ARE CONSIDERED TRUANT. THANK YOU. MRS. PAROCUA



