



## **Excessive absenteeism affects everyone:**

While students pay the highest cost when they miss too much school, high absence rates also put a burden on teachers. Making up for lost instruction when students return adds to their workload and the loss of valuable classroom time for all students.

## **What can you do to help?**

- ✓ Be aware of our school's attendance policies.
- ✓ Let your child know the importance of good attendance.
- ✓ Establish Daily routines for chores, homework, and bedtime.
- ✓ Get involved... Attend parent/teacher conferences, Volunteer for school activities and field trips.
- ✓ Give your child a reason to attend by signing them up for extracurricular activities.
- ✓ Check the school calendar before planning vacations & doctor's appointments.
- ✓ If your child is sick, plan to pick up absent work to help them stay caught up with their class.
- ✓ Keep the line of communication open with teachers and administrators. We are all here to help your child succeed!

*“Presence is power: Be there to learn.”*

*Tiger Dierker ~ Title 1 paraeducator*

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