



OSWEGO CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Attendance is everyone's responsibility

OBJECTIVES

- Increase school success for ALL students
- Raise achievement and close gaps in student performance
- Ensure safety by knowing student whereabouts

CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM

The New York State Education Department defines "Chronic Absenteeism" as 10% or more days absent (excused/unexcused). The emphasis is on missed instructional days.

WHY DOES IT MATTER?

Missing 10% of school no matter the reason is closely related to decreases in:

- Reading proficiency
- Math performance
- Targeted interventions
- The number of instructional minutes students receive
- College or career readiness

*ATTENDANCE IS TAKEN DAILY AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH SCHOOL DAY

WHAT IS AN EXCUSED ABSENCE?

- Personal Illness
- Illness or death in the family
- Impassable roads
- Religious observance
- College visit
- For all of these instance, communication (note or phone call) from a parent or guardian is required upon the student's return.

OSWEGO CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT VISION

WE EDUCATE, INSPIRE,
AND EMPOWER ALL
STUDENTS

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:

Please reach out to Ms. Darling, School Psychologist, Mr. Rapholtz, School Counselor, Mrs. Griffin, Principal or either of the secretaries-Mrs. Donovan or Mrs. Steiger with any questions regarding an absence. They will be happy to help you.

