

Facts About Attendance According to Attendance Works:

1. Absenteeism in the first month of school can predict poor attendance throughout the school year. Half the students who miss 2-4 days in September go on to miss nearly a month of school.
2. Absenteeism and its ill effects start early. One in 10 kindergarten and first grade students are chronically absent. Poor attendance can influence whether children read proficiently by the end of third grade or be held back.
3. By 6th grade, chronic absence becomes a leading indicator that a student will drop out of high school.
4. Research shows that missing 10 percent of the school, or about 18 days in most school districts, negatively affects a student's academic performance. That's just two days a month and that's known as chronic absence.
5. When students improve their attendance rates, they improve their academic prospects and chances for graduating.

Winters Joint Unified School District's Policies to Promote Attendance

- A supportive school culture and climate that provides all students with academic challenge and success for college and career readiness
- Board policies
- Schools' norms and expectations
- Safe and healthful school environment
- Community partnerships

Winters Joint Unified School District's Interventions To Support Student Attendance and Success

- Educational options to provide the best learning environment for students who are at risk of becoming truant and to support students who are at risk
- Student study teams
- School Attendance Review Board (SARB) and district attorney mediation