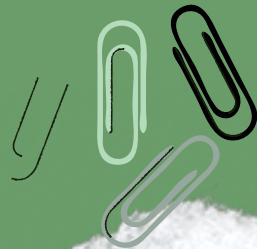# Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow!

ELEMENTARY!
ATTENDANCE

Michigan's Compulsory School Attendance Law requires every child (from the age of 6 to 18) attend school - *On Time, Every Day*

WHAT YOU CAN DO AT HOME:

- Make attending school a priority.
- Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.
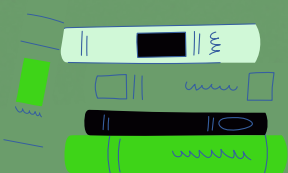- Lay out clothes and pack backpacks the night before.

TRANSPORTATION:

- BUS– Have your child prepared for pick up 5–10 minutes early.
- PARENT DROP OFF– Develop backup plans for getting to school if something comes up.
- WALKERS–Have your child prepared to leave 5–10 minutes early.
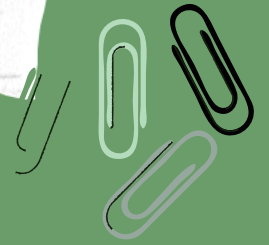
WHY ATTENDANCE MATTERS:

- Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school–and themselves. Start building this habit at the elementary level so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important.
- Good attendance will be a skill that will help them succeed in their future.

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EVERYDAY MATTERS!
ATTENDANCE

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WHAT YOU CAN DO AT HOME:

- Make attending school everyday a priority.
- Help your child maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- If your child is ill, make sure they have asked teachers for resources to make up missed learning in the classroom.

HELP YOUR TEEN STAY ENGAGED:

- Monitor your child's academic progress and assist in seeking help from teachers when needed.
- Find out if your child feels engaged in their classes, and feels safe from bullies or threats.
- Stay on top of your child's social contacts.
- Encourage your child to join meaningful after-school activities, including sports and clubs.

Communicate With The School

- Know the school's attendance policies– incentives and penalties.
- Monitor your child's attendance to be sure absences are not adding up.
- Attend conferences/parent engagement activities.
- Seek help from school staff, other parents or community agencies if you need additional support.