

Department of Education & Workforce

PARENT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

December 11, 2024





Today's Agenda

- Welcome and Updates
- Speakers: Latisha Humphries & Patrick Hickman, Office of Whole Child Supports
- Q & A
- Next Chat January 8, 2025



Leadership Supports Webpage

- Administrative Calendar
- Resources

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The Ohio Department of Education is committed to the support of all educators, and Principals and Assistant Principals in particular. A recent report on principal impact from the Wallace Foundation states, "Principals really matter. Indeed, it is difficult to envision an investment with a higher ceiling on its potential return than a successful effort to improve principal leadership."

















New Professional Learning from OLAC





Message from OAESA and OASSA

Now is the time to join your professional organization!

- OAESA Membership
- OASSA Membership

OAESA Events: https://oaesa.org/events/

OASSA Events: https://oassa.org/conferences/

OHIO STANDARDS FOR PRINCIPALS | 2018

rship	Standard 1: Mission, Vision and Core Values	The effective educational leader develops, advocates and enacts a shared mission, vision and core values.
Eeadership	Standard 2: Ethics and Professional Norms	The effective educational leader acts ethically and according to professional norms.
	Standard 3: School Improvement	The effective educational leader implements collaborative structures and shared leadership to analyze data and causality, align evidence-based strategies to deliberate goals, develop the capacity of staff, and partner with internal and external supports to improve teaching and learning conditions and outcomes.
earning	Standard 4: Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment	The effective educational leader fosters an environment of effective and rigorous personalized instruction by ensuring each student has equitable access to effective teachers, leaders and learning supports.
Lea	Standard 5: Professional Capacity of School Personnel	The effective educational leader supports all staff by promoting and organizing an environment focused on continuous improvement and personal growth to achieve positive outcomes for each student.
iture	Standard 6: Equity and Cultural Responsiveness	The effective educational leader models, supports and cultivates a school culture characterized by equity and inclusiveness.
್ ಪ	Standard 7: Community of Care and Support	The effective educational leader develops and sustains positive partnerships with and among students, staff and stakeholders to create a safe and caring school environment.
	Standard 8: Meaningful Engagement of Families and Community	The effective educational leader develops and sustains partnerships with families and the community by acknowledging the school as a community resource and understanding the context of its existence within the larger community.
ment	Standard 9: Strategic Staffing	The effective educational leader is integral to the recruitment, hiring and assignment of staff to ensure representation of diverse expertise and skill sets are aligned to the priorities of the focused plan while also promoting staff professional growth, cultural competence and opportunities for leadership.
Manage	Standard 10: School Operations	The effective educational leader develops and implements structures to maximize learning through relationships, management, fiscal responsibility and adherence to district and state laws, policies and procedures.



Family Engagement to Support Positive Attendance

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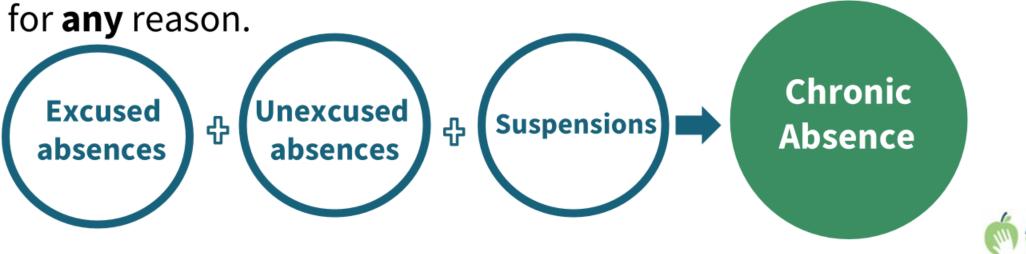
FAMILY ENGAGEMENT AND ATTENDANCE

Supporting Families to Address Barriers that Impact Attendance



What is Chronic Absence?

Chronic absence is defined as missing 10 percent or more of school

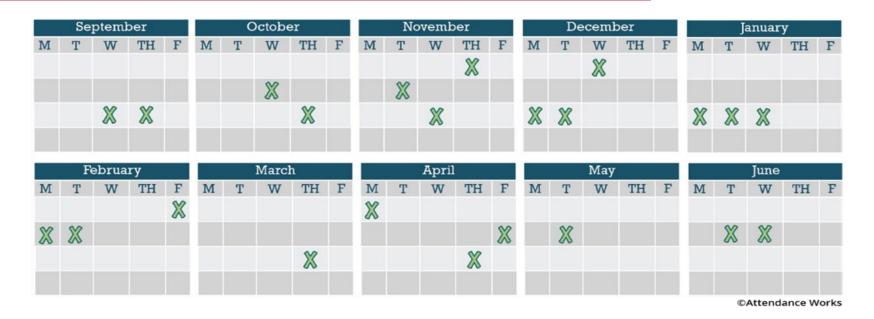




Chronic absence is **different** from truancy (unexcused absences only) or average daily attendance (how many students show up to school each day).



Absences Add Up!



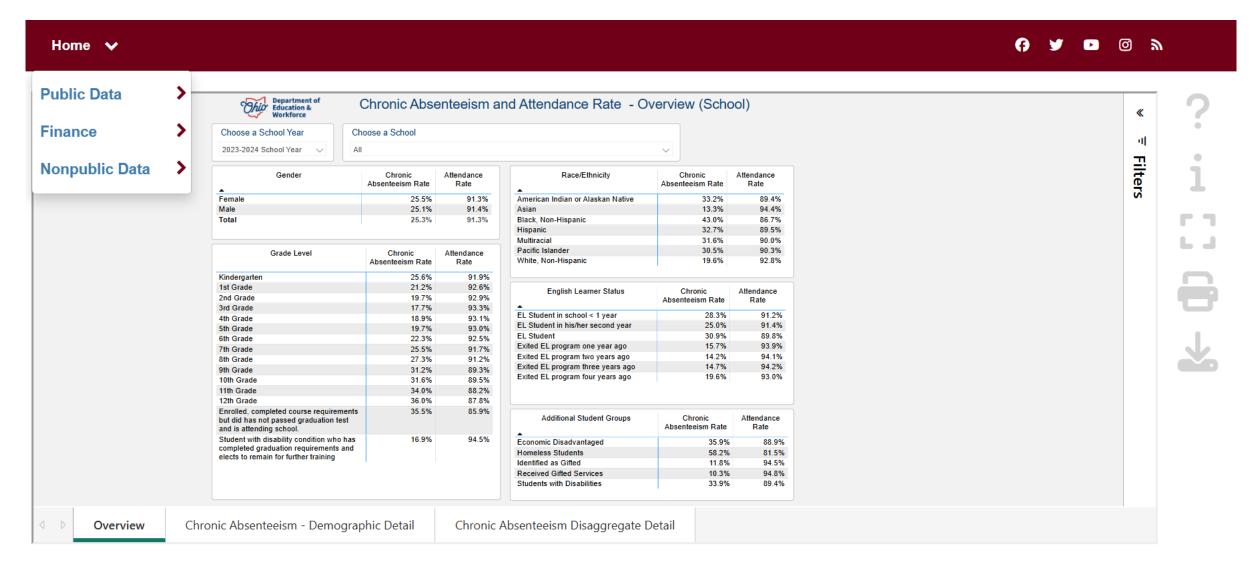
Missing just 2 or 3 days a month can lead to chronic absence.

10% of the school year = 18 days of absence

This translates to almost one month of missed learning



Local Data Tool: Reports Portal





Pathway For Change

Mindset

Actionable Data

Capacity

Strategies

Outcomes



Reasons Students Are Absent

Barriers

- Chronic and acute illness
- Family responsibilities or home situation
- Trauma
- Poor transportation
- Housing and food insecurity
- Inequitable access to needed services
- System involvement
- Lack of predictable schedules for learning
- Lack of access to tech

Aversion

- Struggling academically and/or behaviorally
- Unwelcoming school climate
- Social and peer challenges
- Anxiety
- Biased disciplinary and suspension practices
- Undiagnosed disability and/or disability accommodations
- Parents had negative educational experiences

Disengagement

- Lack of challenging, culturally responsive instruction
- Bored
- No meaningful relationships to adults in the school (especially given staff shortages)
- Lack of enrichment opportunities
- Lack of academic and behavioral support
- · Failure to earn credits
- Drawn to low-wage job vs. being in high school

Misconceptions

- Absences are only a problem if they are unexcused
- Missing 2 days per month doesn't affect learning
- Lose track and underestimate TOTAL absences
- Sporadic absences aren't a problem
- Attendance only matters in the older grades
- Suspensions don't count as absence





Family Engagement



What Is Family Engagement?

Learning

Development

Health



unheard, and unvalued

Effective Family Engagement Requires Partnership

The Dual Capacity-Building Framework for Family-School Partnerships (Version 2) The Challenge **Essential Conditions Policy and Program Goals Capacity Outcomes** ************************** Educators Process conditions · Have not been exposed to strong examples of family engagement · Relational: built on mutual trust · Have received minimal Build and enhance the Educators are empowered to: training Linked to learning and development capacity of educators and . May not see partnership as an Connect family engagement to essential practice families in the "4 C" areas: Asset-based learning and development . May have developed deficit Culturally responsive and Engage families as co-creators mindsets respectful · Capabilities (skills + · Honor family funds of knowledge Collaborative knowledge) Create welcoming cultures Interactive Connections (networks) Cognition (shifts in beliefs Effective partnerships and values that support student Confidence (self-efficacy) and school **Organizational conditions** improvement Systemic: embraced by Families engage in **Families** leadership across the diverse roles: organization Have not been exposed to Integrated: embedded in all strong examples of family Co-creators Monitors strategies engagement Supporters Advocates Sustained: with resources · Have had negative past Encouragers Models and infrastructure experiences with schools and educators . May not feel invited to contribute to their children's education · May feel disrespected,

Capabilities: Human Capital, Skills, and Knowledge

- School and district staff need to be knowledgeable about the assets and funds of knowledge available in the communities where they work.
- They also need skills in the realms of cultural competency and of building trusting relationships with families.
- Families need access to knowledge about student learning and the workings of the school system.
- They also need skills in advocacy and educational support.



How Do We Enhance Capabilities?

- Annual Surveys Students and Families
- Development and review of targeted questions and responses
- Staff Climate and Culture Surveys and Conversations
- Resource Sharing
- Parent and Staff Training/Development
- Observation and Feedback Cycles
- Communication Plan



Connections: Important Relationships And Networks – Social Capital

• Staff and families need access to social capital through strong, crosscultural networks built on trust and respect.

• These networks should include family-teacher relationships, parent-parent relationships, and connections with community agencies and services.



How Do We Enhance Connections?

- Community Involvement
- Welcoming, safe and supportive environment
- Addressing feedback in timely manner
- Various modes of communication
- Observation and Feedback Cycle



Confidence: Individual Level Of Self-efficacy

• Staff and families need a sense of comfort and self-efficacy related to engaging in partnership activities and working across lines of cultural difference.



How Do We Enhance Confidence?

- Public and private acknowledgment
- Personalized communication
- Growth Mindset
- Cultural Competence
- Observation and Feedback Cycle



Cognition: Assumptions, Beliefs, And Worldview

• Staff need to be committed to working as partners with families and must believe in the value of such partnerships for improving student learning.

• Families need to view themselves as partners in their children's education, and must construct their roles in their children's learning to include the multiple roles described in the Framework.



How Do We Enhance Cognition?

- Maximizing on opportunities for learning
- Resource collection and sharing
- Welcoming, safe and positive environment
- Observation and Feedback Cycle



Example: Cleveland Metropolitan School District Title I allowable expenses

Examples of ALLOWABLE expenses	Examples of NOT ALLOWABLE expenses
Purchase of printing of information brochures, pamphlets to distribute to parents	Marketing or advertising materials to promote enrollment at the school
Childcare services for parents attending Title 1 sponsored events	Support of any program involving athletics or extracurricular activities
Support and Materials for parenting development workshops and programs	Support of award banquets or carnivals/fairs,
Healthy meals/refreshments for Title I sponsored events (meals must adhere to District wellness policy)	Excessive shipping and handling or expedited delivery services
Transportation costs for parents to attend Title I events	Any expense related to a school dance or fundraiser
The cost of facilitators for parent workshop/development (topics subject to compliance)	The purchase of gift certificates or gift cards



QUESTIONS?

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NEXT PRINCIPAL CHAT

Second Wednesday each month at 9:30 – 10:30am

-January 8, 2025, featuring Special Education Profiles

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EXIT SURVEY







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