



Dear Stanton Parents,

We want your child to be happy and successful in school and in life, and we know that you feel the same.

To help support that achievement, we want to ask for your commitment to your child's good school attendance. The evidence is clear: children with good attendance are more likely to be successful in school. High attendance rates are linked to high student achievement.

Every minute in school counts. Missing school even 10% of the time has a significant negative impact on reading and math achievement. Because of this, the State of Ohio has passed a new law (HB410) with attendance requirements for all students.

House Bill 410 has set the following attendance definitions:

- Excessive Absence = missing 38 or more hours of school in one month **OR** 65 or more hours in one school year ***with or without an excuse.*** (Students with Excessive Absences may have an Attendance Intervention Plan initiated.)
- Habitual Truancy = 30 or more consecutive hours **OR** 42 hours in a month **OR** 72 or more hours in a year without an excuse
- Chronic Absence = missing 10 percent of the school year ***with or without an excuse***

Whenever your child is absent, you must call the Stanton Attendance Line (330)-678-7500 and leave a message including the reason; **OR you may call the main office (330)-676-8600.** Failure to notify school staff will result in an unexcused absence for that day.

If your child was seen by a doctor, dentist, orthodontist, etc., please turn in a doctor's note to the main office. Or you may ask your doctor to fax the excuse to us (330-676-8605).

If you do not have a family physician, you may be eligible to receive medical services through state programs. Our district nurse, Rita Baker, can assist you. She can be reached at (330)-676-8617.

Please contact our main office with any attendance questions or concerns. We want your student to be in attendance throughout the school year in order to be compliant with state law and also to receive the best education possible. Thank you for all you do to support your child's academic success!