



# Valley City Public Schools

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**Date:**

**Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),**

This letter is to inform you that your child has accumulated \_\_\_\_ absences this school year. We are very concerned about your child's educational progress and need to make you aware of your duty to ensure your child is in school under state law and of the consequences of future absences.

1. Under state law, "Any person having responsibility for a child between the ages of seven and sixteen years shall ensure that the child is in attendance at a public school for the duration of each school year." The Valley City School District must refer violations of this law to law enforcement if a student accumulates three consecutive school days of unexcused absences or six half days of unexcused absences in a semester. Valley City School District complies with this law and will make referrals to law enforcement as necessary.
2. Students whose attendance patterns impact their academic progress may be held back a grade.

While it is our hope that we will not need to take any of the above steps, should your child continue to be absent, the District will be forced to pursue one or more of the above remedies.

The District provides transportation to its students. If you would like to make arrangements to use this service, please contact me at your soonest convenience.

Sincerely,

Principal