

# ⚡ Attendance Matters in Preschool! ⚡

## MYTH:

Absences only matter when they occur several days in a row.

## REALITY:

Whether your child misses a day here and a day there, or several days in a row, everyday matters!

Preschool helps young children build early reading and math skills, as well as develop the social and emotional foundation they need to succeed in school.

## A NOTE FROM YOUR TEACHER:

## Preschoolers with Good Attendance are...

- ▣ More likely to arrive at kindergarten better prepared.
- ▣ More likely to be able to read at grade level by 3rd grade.
- ▣ Less likely to repeat a grade.

But kids only get the full effect of these benefits if they show up to preschool regularly.



## Tips for Parents:

**Talk to your children:** Discuss frequently why going to school is so important.

**Be organized:** Develop simple routines that make it easier for your kids to attend school every day, like regular bed times, and laying out their clothes the night before.

**Have a back-up plan:** When issues arise and getting your children to school is a problem, have a “back-up” plan, like having a relative or neighbor ready to step in.