

Attendance

Please call the attendance line at (949) 936-5870 everyday that your child will miss school due to illness or other important reasons. During your call, please indicate the reason for absence, the child's name and teacher name.

- Consistent attendance is highly recommended for participation in the ECLC preschool program. Consistent and on-time attendance is vital to your child's future success in public school and preschool is a critical time to establish habits that support regular and on-time participation.
- Frequent absences, even in preschool, can cause children to fall behind in school. Research has found, missing a day or two every month makes it harder to learn to read by the third grade.
- It is expected that all children will attend school according to their regular scheduled class times. Frequent absences, bringing a child late to school or picking a child up late from school have a negative impact on the child's education and social/emotional development. Please have your child here each school day, and on-time for drop off and pick up.
- It is essential for optimal learning that your child starts class on time. Attendance will be monitored to ensure each child has access to an optimal preschool experience.

Attendance guidelines

- All absences must be verified upon your child's return to school. Please indicate the reason for the absence (illness or family need) with a full signature on the daily sign in-out sheet. These records are very important to ensure attendance requirements are met.
 - All absences are categorized as excused or unexcused as follows:
 - Excused
 - Each child is allowed up to ten family need (in the best interest of the child) days: (vacation, special events, family functions, religious holidays, court appearance, and anything in the best interest of the child)
 - Child illness or quarantine (stomach ache, headache, sore throat, fever, runny nose, diarrhea, cold, flu, unidentified rashes, ringworm, scabies, head lice, medical appointment or any other serious illness or contagious disease)
 - The parent/guardian is ill or quarantine (same as above)
 - Court ordered visitation (verification must be on file)
 - Family emergency (including but not limited to: uncontrollable or unfortunate circumstances and/or incidents: death, accidents, disasters affecting family home, extreme weather or environmental conditions affecting transportation and safety, sibling illness, car problems, no transportation)
 - Unexcused
 - Child did not feel like coming to school
 - Child overslept
 - Any absence not falling in the best interest or excused absence categories
 - Any absence beyond the ten day best interest limit
 - A doctor's note release authorizing the student's return to school will be required in cases where students have been absent from school for extended periods of time due to hospitalization or temporary disability due to serious injury or illness. The doctor's note shall also include any required accommodations, conditions, or specified limitations.
 - You may jeopardize your child's enrollment when attendance becomes irregular or your child has three unexcused absences, or you have exhausted all your family need (best interest of the child) days.