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Dear CDO Community,

Maintaining excellent school attendance is one of the most important factors impacting your student's academic achievement. As a school, we have prioritized improving daily student attendance and set a goal that we would like to work towards as a school community.

A good daily school attendance rate is considered to be 95%. Our daily attendance rate through the first 100 days of school averages 92%. At the end of the year, the rate drops to 90%. We have set a school-wide goal to improve our end of the year attendance rate to 92% and we need everyone in our school community to help us reach this goal. Here are some steps you can take as parents and guardians to help us reach this goal:

- Try to limit the amount of time your student misses school due to appointments or illness. If your student does need to attend an appointment during the school day, have your student return to school for the remainder of the day. A great day to consider scheduling dental and medical appointments for your students would be our monthly early out day when students are dismissed at 12:10 PM.
- Promote good health by encouraging your student to eat well and get enough rest each night.
- Schedule family events and vacations on weekends and during school vacations.
- Follow our school's guidelines regarding attendance policies and report excused absences immediately. An absence is considered to be unexcused if you fail to notify the Attendance Office of the absence by 3:00 PM the day following the absence. Parents may call the Attendance Office up to 24 hours in advance of a late-in, absence or pull-out. Attendance policies are listed in the CDO Student Handbook and can be found using this link:

<https://www.amphi.com/media/5427890/2015-16-CDO-Student-Handbook-PDF.pdf>

Thank you for your support in meeting this very important school goal.

Every day matters!

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