Did you know:

• Most teachers can predict student success based on their attendance during the first month of school.
• Students who miss more than 4 days in September are over 85% more likely to become chronically absent.
• Approximately 4,742 students in Jackson County were considered chronically absent during the 2014-2015 school year.
• Students ages 6-18 are required to attend school according to Michigan law.

Being chronically absent:

• Is linked to lower reading abilities in early elementary ages.
• Pushes middle school grade students off the path to high school graduation.
• Lessens the odds that high school graduates will enroll and succeed in college.

What I can do:

• Talk about attending school regularly.
• Create a stable home environment with a routine that includes school.
• Make medical appointments for after school hours whenever possible.
• Contact the school if work schedules, transportation, or family health issues impact the ability to attend class. Resources may be available to assist you.
The Jackson County School Justice Partnership is ensuring the success of our students’ futures through a team approach!

Columbia School District
Community Action Agency
Concord Community Schools
Cradle 2 Career Network
da Vinci Schools
East Jackson Community Schools
Family Services & Children’s Aid
Grass Lake School District
Hanover-Horton School District
Jackson County Intermediate School District
Jackson County Juvenile Courts
Jackson County Youth Center
Jackson Department of Health and Human Services
Jackson Preparatory & Early College
Jackson Public Schools
LifeWays Community Mental Health
Michigan Center School District
Napoleon Community Schools
Northwest Community Schools
Paragon Charter Academy
Rise Above
Southeastern Dispute Resolution Services
Springport Public Schools
Student Advocacy Center
Vandercook Lake Public Schools
Western School District
Work Services, Inc.

We accept the Future Forward Challenge and commit to maintaining a regular attendance during the 2015-2016 school year.

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Child’s Signature

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Parent/Guardian’s Signature