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TROTWOOD-MADISON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Our Mission Is 100% Student Success!

August 22, 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian,

With the passing of House Bill 410, attendance is looked at differently. Instead of counting days absent, it will count hours and minutes absent. This will affect the way a student's tardiness and absences are recorded in the system.

Tardiness and early dismissals will now be added into total absence hours. This can lead to more rapid accumulation of absence hours and a possible attendance referral to Montgomery County Juvenile Court. Tardiness and early dismissals not only disrupt the learning environment of the class, but your child also misses out on important instructional time.

We are requesting that whenever possible, please schedule any appointments your child might have, before or after school. This will help your child avoid the accumulation of absence hours due to tardiness and/or early dismissals, and also ensure that your child is receiving the valuable instructional time they deserve.

Enclosed you will find a brochure on House Bill 410 which gives a brief snapshot of what the bill entails. You will also find 2017-2018 attendance data, which speaks to the number of days absent, tardy days, and early dismissals for each building.

Thank you for your prompt attention, and please remember to bring in doctors notes upon your child's return to school.

Sincerely,

Trotwood-Madison City Schools Attendance Services