

# A Newsletter for Parents and Students of LAE

## October 2017

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We are off and running here at LAE. It is always an exciting time when school begins. Here are a few things to remember as your child gets back into the routine of school. Consistent bedtimes and wake up times go along way for assuring that your child is rested and prepared for their week at school. Coming to school every day and arriving on time significantly increases your child's success in academic achievement. Please make sure your child is here before the first bell rings at 7:55. Attendance is essential. When children miss school they fall behind and it is difficult for teachers to catch children up on lessons missed. Thank you for helping ensure your child(ren) receive the best education.

### Attendance, A Key to Your Student's Success

Research shows that children who are in school most of the time do better on standardized tests.

Being late for school hurts a child's learning, too. A student who is 10 minutes late every day will miss 30 hours of instruction during the year.

Children can copy notes or make up an assignment, but they can never get back what's most important: the discussions, the questions, the explanations by the teacher and the thinking that makes learning come alive.

Your child's success in school depends on having a solid educational background, one that can only be gained through regular school attendance.

Here's how you can improve your child's school attendance.

- Talk with your child about why it's important to attend school regularly.
- Avoid scheduling family trips or doctor appointments during school hours.
- Make sure your child stays healthy by eating nutritious food and getting enough

sleep and exercise.

- Don't accept excuses for why your child "must" miss or be late for school.
- Discuss with your child what happened at school each day.
- Show your child why education is important. Give specific examples of how education helps people succeed.
- Lead by example. If children see parents taking days off of work for no real reason they may expect to do the same thing.

### Important Dates to Remember

#### October

3	PTO mtg @ 3:15
10	Fall Pictures
11	Grading Period 1 Ends
16	No School
17	SAC mtg @ 3:30
20	Awards Program
24	Report Cards, Title 1, Open House, & Family Reading Evening @ 4:00-5:30
31	Book Character Day

#### November

7	PTO mtg @ 3:15
10	No School-Veterans Day
15	Picture Retake
16	Family Thanksgiving Luncheon
17	Interim Reports
20-24	Thanksgiving Break