

# Counselor's Corner

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### Did You Know?

Students are much more likely to come to school regularly if they feel someone cares if they are present. Relationships motivate students and families to keep attendance on track. Blue Grass is partnering with Ebenezer Methodist Church this year. The School Counselor is in process of getting church volunteers to mentor some of our risk students.



## Attendance News!



Improving student attendance is an important method for helping students be successful in school and in the future. Students are at risk academically if they are absent 10% of the school year (about 18 days). Many times, we don't realize how quickly absences accumulate. If a student misses 2 days per month, it can result in him/her falling behind.

- Promoting good attendance in early grades helps prepare children for school and life.
- By middle/high school, poor attendance is a predictor of dropout behavior.
- Reducing chronic absence can assist in closing achievement gaps.
- Chronic absenteeism slows instruction as students wait for teachers to catch up absentee students

#### **Related websites/ Sources:**

Attendanceworks.com

**National mentoring Partnership** 

**Everyone Graduates Center** 

