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PRESS RELEASE

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RE: Nye County School District Stresses Importance of School Attendance

As students settle into the new school year, the Nye County School District (NCSD) is reminding parents and guardians about the critical importance of regular school attendance and is excited to announce a new, streamlined process for reporting absences through the EduRooms platform.

Missing just a couple of days of school each month can add up to a significant loss of learning time. According to AttendanceWorks.org, a student who misses just two days of school a month will miss 20 days a year, which equates to 30 hours of math and 60 hours of reading and writing. By the time that student graduates, they will have missed over a year of school. The numbers are even more stark for students who miss four days a month; they will miss over two years of school by graduation.

“Every day a student is in school is an opportunity for them to learn, grow, and build a strong foundation for their future,” said Dr. Joseph Gent, Superintendent of Nye County School District. “We are committed to partnering with our families to ensure every student has the chance to succeed, and that starts with being present in the classroom.”

To make it easier for parents to communicate with schools about absences, the district is now using EduRooms, a feature integrated into the official NCSD app. This new system allows parents to send a message directly to the school to report a child's absence like a text message.

It is critically important for parents to provide a reason for every absence to prevent it from being marked as truancy, which can lead to a referral to law enforcement. Absences are coded as "DM" to help the district monitor for potential educational neglect, which becomes a concern when a student misses over 30% of the school year. "DM" stands for "Domestic Measure" and is used to acknowledge that a reason for the absence was provided. While these appear as unexcused in Infinite Campus, a few "DM" absences will not negatively impact a student, and when a reason is provided by a guardian within three days, the absence cannot be marked as a truancy.

"We are committed to strengthening the connection between our schools and our families," said Superintendent Gent. "This tool is another step toward enhancing that partnership and providing parents with the information they need to support their child's success."

How to Report an Absence Using EduRooms:

- Parents should send a message to the person handling attendance at the school.
 - This person can be found in the EduRooms Attendance space, under “info.”
- Please include the following:
 - Your child's name
 - The date of the absence
 - The reason for the absence
 - For medical appointments, parents can take a photograph of a doctor's note and include it in the message.

The Nye County School District app is available for download from the iOS App Store and the Android Play Store.

Resources:

- NCSD Attendance Website: <https://www.nye.k12.nv.us/page/attendance>
 - This site has several images that can be downloaded to match with an article.
- Information about signing up for EduRooms: <https://www.nye.k12.nv.us/article/2336791>
- Parent Digital Toolkit website: <https://www.nye.k12.nv.us/page/parent-toolkit>
- EduRooms Support Page: <https://www.nye.k12.nv.us/page/rooms-support>