

APG Family Bulletin

4/16/2025

Calendar of Events

- 4/17 - 5/2 Track Team Meets + All-City Finals [SCHEDULE](#)
- 4/18 Last day to order your 2025 Yearbook [CLICK HERE](#)
- 4/22 PTSA General Meeting + Election, 6:30pm, [ZOOM](#)
- 4/25 APG Dance Showcase, 6pm, Auditorium, FREE! / Last day to sign up as a Career Day Volunteer [HERE](#)
- 4/26 Sunset Art Festival + APG Open House, 10am - 2pm
- 5/5 - 5/9 Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week
- 5/8 Staff Appreciation Breakfast [SIGN UP TO DONATE FOOD/COFFEE](#)
- 5/15 34th Annual APG Athletic Awards Dinner, 6:00-8:30pm, APG Cafeteria (for student-athletes + parents)
- 5/23 Career Day at APG, 2:40-4.00pm, 8th Graders
- 5/26 Memorial Day Holiday, No School**
- 5/30 8th Grade Celebration at School [Volunteers Needed](#)
- 6/2 8th Grade Promotion
- 6/4 Last Day of School

Ongoing: [Donate to APG PTSA](#) to support our students!

Ongoing: [Chicken Care during Holidays & Weekends](#)

Reminder: Please keep SICK students at home to rest/recover

Ongoing: [SF Giants Games Fundraiser; code is 'APG'](#)

JAG FUND: WE NEED YOUR HELP TODAY!

We've raised \$96,000 toward our \$125,000 goal. A huge shoutout to everyone who has contributed to our Jag Fund already - thank you!


We're making great progress, but we need YOUR HELP TO RAISE \$29,000 by May 30th.

Your support brings to life amazing programs like outdoor science education, a thriving garden, family socials, classroom supplies, support for the Wellness Center, P.E. uniforms, teacher grants, 8G promotion, & staff appreciation events.

Together, let's reach our goal and make APG even stronger for our students! Donations can be made through PayPal or by a Check (made to 'APG PTA').

[Learn More Here](#)

Thank you for being a vital part of our awesome public school community. Let's do this, Jaguars!



The image shows a thermometer-style progress indicator for the APG Jag Fund. The thermometer is blue and has a red arrow pointing to the top, which is labeled 'GOAL \$125,000'. The current level of the thermometer is marked with a purple box containing '96,000'. The thermometer is set against a background of yellow and red horizontal stripes.

APG JAG FUND

GOAL \$125,000

96,000

DONATE TO SUPPORT VITAL SCHOOL PROGRAMS

STUDENT, TEACHER, AND STAFF SUPPORT

OUTDOOR EDUCATION	CLASSROOM SUPPLIES
WELLNESS CENTER	PROJECT GRANTS
TECH SUBSCRIPTIONS	P.E. EQUIPMENT
FAMILY SOCIALS	SCHOOL EVENTS
GRADUATION & PARTY	
TEACHER APPRECIATION	

tinyurl.com/APGdonate

QR code for donations

DONATE HERE!



APG

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FUNDRAISER ALERT!

Use [THIS LINK](#) to buy tickets to April or May Giants games and APG will receive \$5 per ticket!

Use this code: **APG**

SAVE THE DATE

SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL BY JOINING THE GIANTS AT ORACLE PARK FOR ONE OF THE AVAILABLE FUNDRAISING GAMES.



USE CODE: APG

OFFER INCLUDES MOST APRIL/MAY GAMES

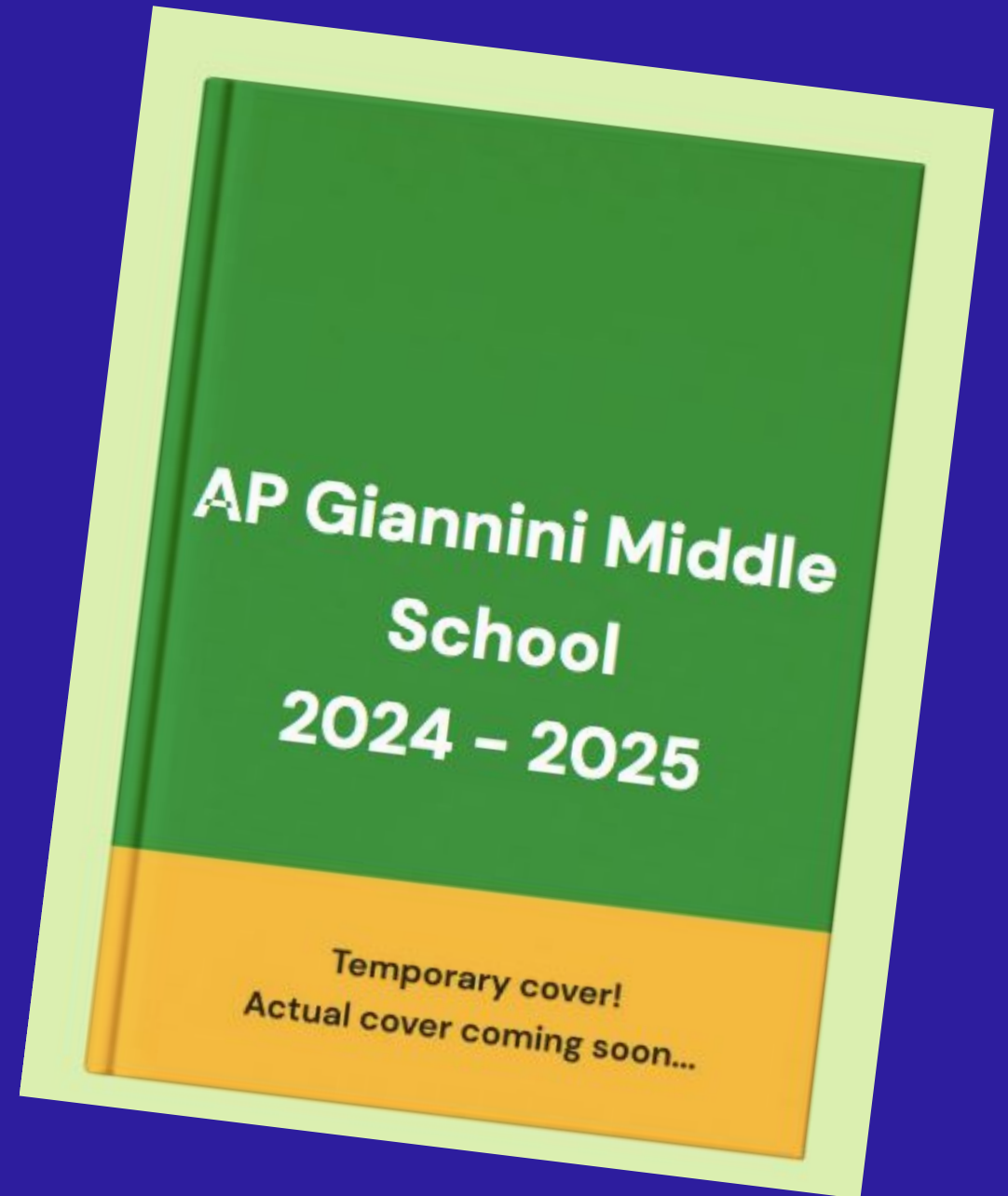
**\$5 OF EVERY TICKET SOLD GOES DIRECTLY
BACK TO YOUR SCHOOL!**

APG YEARBOOK

[CLICK HERE TO ORDER
YOUR 2025 YEARBOOK](#)

BY

FRIDAY, APRIL 18TH





Volunteers
needed

We are looking for parent volunteers to help our Eighth graders celebrate their graduation with an incredible afternoon of activities on May 30! Dunk Tank, obstacle course, cornhole, basketball, face painting, and so much more! We need a lot of hands (volunteers) to make it happen.

[Sign Up Here](#)

APG General PTSA Meeting

Tuesday, April 22nd

6:30-7:30pm

Online via ZOOM



Everyone is welcome at our meetings! Join us for:

- 2025-26 Board Nominees Slate + Election
- Updates from the PTSA Board
- Principal's School News
- Questions from you!

Be engaged in our supportive school community and attend this meeting. See you online at our meeting on April 22nd!



2025-26 APG PTSA Board Nominees

Our PTSA Nominating Committee presents the following slate of nominees for the APG PTSA Board of our next school year, 2025-26:

President - Emma Silvius
Executive Vice President - Erin Dickey
Treasurer - Katherine Burton
Secretary - Lindsay West
Historian - Leigh Meredith
Parliamentarian - Jonathan Crosby
Principal - Tai-Sun Schoeman
Teacher Representative/Liaison - Emma Petrelli
Fundraising/Jag Fund Co-Chairs - Holly Coombs,
Missy Keadle and Molly Stein
Passive Fundraising Chair - Andrea Pollock
Membership VP - Bryan McDonald
Auditor & Teacher Grants - Sara Norwick
Gear Co-Chairs - Carrie Byun and Ashley Smith

Garden Co-Chairs - Ruben Diaz, Annie Tahtinen and Cat Sommer
Hospitality Coordinators - Amanda MacDougall and Karen Prince
Volunteer Coordinator - Beth Ryan
6th Grade Event Lead - OPEN
7th Grade Event Lead - Janet Wong & Jennifer Leung
8th Grade Event Lead - Daniela Fenili
V.P. Communications (eNewsletter, Social Media and PTSA
Webpage) - Tina Paul Mulye
Communications/Fliers - Angela Chang
Chinese WeChat Lead - Winki Wu
AAPAC Advisor - OPEN
Student-Parent Liaison - OPEN
Spring Open House Chair - Damaris Soto

A revised slate with additional or updated nominees might be presented at the Election Meeting on Tuesday April 22nd, 2025. **You can still nominate yourself** or another PTSA member to any of the above roles until the election for each officer. Or, feel free to contact us at gianninipta@gmail.com to discuss how you can contribute to the APG PTSA Board.



APG ATHLETICS

FOLLOW US ON
INSTAGRAM

APG Track & Field Schedule

Cheer on our Track Team at Meets on 4/11, 4/17 & All-City Finals 4/28 - 5/2! *Let's go, Jaguars!*

APG ATHLETIC GEAR

20% off Sale thru 4/8. Show your school team spirit! Order your APG Athletic Team Gear HERE!



Athletics Awards & Dinner: May 15th, 2025, 6:00-8:30pm, APG Cafeteria (details coming soon)

APG ATHLETICS GOOGLE CLASSROOM

For the latest info and updates on Giannini Athletics, please have your child (using their SFUSD student account) join the APG Athletics Google Classroom. Click on the “+” or “join class” and type in the class code: **ommj472**

*** PAPERWORK THROUGH HOME CAMPUS ***

The SFUSD Athletics Office asks parents/guardians to submit all athletic paperwork at www.homecampus.com.

- Use this link to [create an account and complete paperwork](#)
- Use this link for [instructions on using Home Campus](#)
- Follow this link for a [Home Campus walkthrough video](#)

[Student Athlete Pre-participation Physical Form](#) Requires doctor signature. Upload p. 4 to Home Campus account.
[Parent Consent Form](#) If not checked off on Home Campus, one form must be submitted for each sport.

Athletes can only participate in tryouts once all forms are completed and submitted on Home Campus and they receive official clearance from us.

Questions? Email Athletic Director, Mr. Alfaro, at alfaroi.c@sfusd.edu

For more info about athletics, click [HERE](#)

For an overview of Tryouts, please click [HERE](#)

SAVE THE DATE!



MAY 15TH

**6:00-8:30pm in the AP Giannini Cafeteria
More information to follow!**

Enjoy student
work and other
creations!

FREE NO
RESERVATION
REQUIERED



APG DANCE

JOIN US FOR OUR
ANNUAL DANCE
SHOWCASE

APRIL 25TH AT 6:00PM
A. P. GIANNINI MS AUDITORIUM

Details on our Website



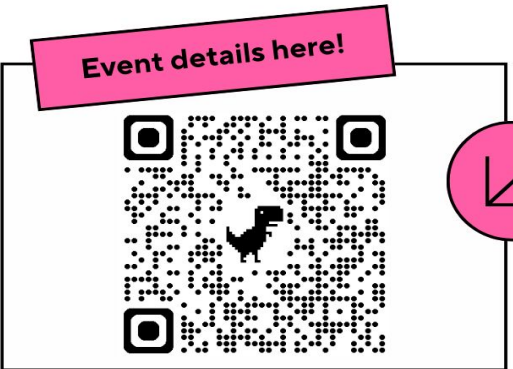
A.P. Giannini Middle School

SUNSET ART FESTIVAL & OPEN HOUSE




- * Tour the campus
- * Art and music from students
- * Learn about PTSA and Beacon
- * Free bike tune-ups!
- * Learn how to ride a bike.

APRIL 26, 2025
10:00 - 2:00 PM
 3151 ORTEGA STREET,
 SAN FRANCISCO, CA



Learn more about our school here



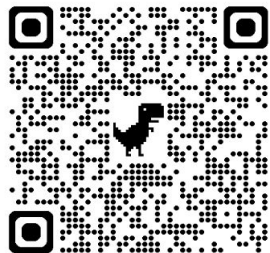
CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

CAREER DAY

AT A.P. GIANNINI MIDDLE SCHOOL

Friday, May 23, 2025
2:20 to 4:00 PM

MORE INFO



CAREERS NEEDED:

- PUBLIC SERVICE
- MEDICAL
- HOSPITALITY
- FOOD SERVICE
- ART
- TRADE
- & MORE!

Share your knowledge!

APG Career Day will allow our middle school 8G students to explore a wide range of professions, and help them connect their academic learning with potential career paths.

We need you!

Learn more & volunteer **HERE!**

By 4/25

If you are in 8th grade and have a Chromebook or Hotspot checked out to you, please read this!

- Leaving SFUSD, either for another public district or an independent high school? RETURN any District-issued Chromebooks and/or Hotspots and charging cables to APG.
- Attending an SFUSD High School? DO NOT RETURN your existing Chromebooks or Hotspots. Take your District issued Chromebook with you to 9th grade. Your SFUSD High School expects you to have your assigned Chromebook.



A.P. Giannini Middle School

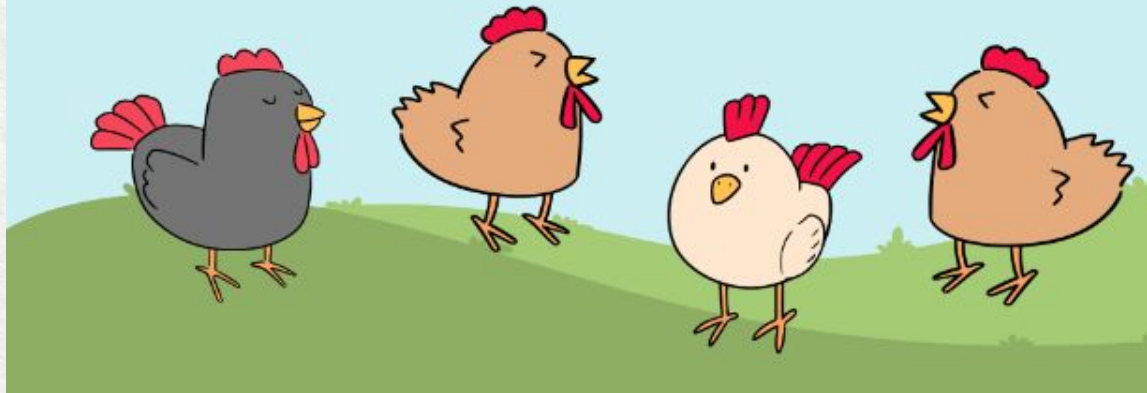
Chicken Care

Weekends and School Holidays

Feed the chickens

Clean the chicken coop

Take fresh eggs home!



We need YOU!
Help out on
weekends and
holidays with our
four chickens!

[Sign Up for Chicken Care Here](#)

Questions? Email Garden Teacher Ansel, aschoonhoven@bacr.org

Dr. Maria Su will host a series of in-person town halls across San Francisco to share key updates regarding SFUSD's budget and stabilization efforts.

We kindly request that you RSVP HERE so that we can plan accordingly.

Dates and Locations:

- Wednesday, March 26 from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm at Lawton K-8 School
- Wednesday, April 16 from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm at Balboa High School
- Thursday, April 17 from 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm at Presidio Middle School
- Saturday, April 19 from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm at Jean Parker Elem School
- Saturday, April 19 from 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm at Carver Elementary School
- Wednesday, April 23 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm at Mission High School

We encourage families, staff, students, and community partners to attend and participate in these conversations. If you have questions you would like addressed during the town hall, please feel free to [submit them ahead of time](#).

Spanish and Cantonese interpretation will be available during the town halls. If you would like to request additional languages for interpretation, please note that in the RSVP form at least 72 hours in advance of the town hall you will be attending. Childcare will be available as well.



IN-PERSON STABILIZATION TOWN HALLS

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This is an opportunity to come together as a community to discuss what's important to our families, staff, students, and community supporters.

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MISSION HIGH

Apply to College Track - a college completion program!



College Track 

High School Is Just the Beginning of Your Potential

College Track is the most comprehensive college completion program in the nation. Since our founding in 1997, we have partnered with talented students from underserved and underestimated communities who are determined to be the first in their family to earn a bachelor's degree.

College Track makes a 10-year commitment to every student. Our scholars join College Track in high school, leverage our program to get to and through college, and utilize our resources and networks to launch their careers. We offer:

- Leadership and academic skill development
- Individualized and group advising for college preparation, access, and success
- Career and life planning, beginning in high school
- A nationwide community of College Track scholars, alumni, and staff

OUR MISSION

Equip scholars confronting systemic barriers to earn a bachelor's degree in pursuit of a life of opportunity, choice, purpose, and power.

A Nationwide Community

5,000+
Scholars & Alumni

300
Colleges & Universities

25+
Years of Success

Our 10-Year Integrated Scholar Experience



High School Program

Our high school scholar experience consists of two focused two-year segments: the Pre-College Program, for grades 9 and 10, and the College-Going Program, for grades 11 and 12.

Pre-College Program (Grades 9 and 10)

Dynamic and inspiring programming lays the foundation for scholar journeys toward opportunity, choice, purpose, and power. It includes:

- **Goal setting and skill-building** to develop leadership
- **Academic Learning Labs**, including STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics) and 21st-century skill development

College-Going Program (Grades 11 and 12)

Scholars grow the skills needed to achieve their dreams and passions through programs such as:

- **Expert counseling** around complex college admissions and financial aid processes
- **Arizona State University's Universal Learner Courses** for earning college credits and developing professional skills
- **Semester Zero at Northern Arizona University**, a weeklong on-campus living and learning experience in the summer before the 11th grade

College, Career & Alumni Support

During their college years, scholars are welcomed into the **College Thrive** program to build their communities at their chosen campus through peer-to-peer mentorship, local college coaches, and on-campus scholar cohorts.

After graduation, scholars have access to real-world learning and powerful professional and service opportunities through the ever-growing **College Track alumni network**.

LEARN MORE AND APPLY

If you have questions about the scholar experience, commitment, and benefits of our 10-year scholar experience, reach out to the Recruitment Specialist in your area.

RS Name: Ozlem Sakar
Phone: 628-629-1812
Email: osakar@collegetrack.org



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- ✓ Publish research papers
- ✓ Receive global news recognition

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PROGRAM**

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Interested? Learn more at yriscience.com

APG Attendance Office

New this School Year

- Report your student for a **Full Day** absence in your **ParentVUE** account via the mobile app or desktop
 - Instructions from **SFUSD**
 - **Note:** This form is for a **FULL DAY** absence only.
- **Early Dismissal / Permit to Leave School online form**

Reminder: Your student is responsible for picking up their ***Permit to Leave School slip*** from the Counseling Office before the start of school from 9:00am- 9:30am.

Students with a *Permit to Leave School* will exit from the main office doors.

Please don't pull into our parking lots nor block the school/city buses to pick up your student.

Other ways to report Attendance issues

Email Attendance

[404 APAttendance@sfusd.edu](mailto:404_APAttendance@sfusd.edu)

Provide a written note to the Counseling Office Admin, Ms. Dawson

Phone our Counseling Office at 415-759-2773

In all communications with the school regarding a student's absence or request to leave, please provide the following:

- Your name and identify yourself as the parent/guardian/caregiver of the student
- Student's name
- Date(s) of the absence(s) or leave
- Reason for the absence or leave
- Signature of a parent/caregiver and current date (if a written note)

EXCUSED ABSENCES & ILLNESSES

What to do if your student does not feel well? PLEASE STAY AT HOME!

If your student is exhibiting any of the symptoms below, please have your student stay home and rest. For fever: please return to school after 24 hours of being fever-free, without medication, has passed.

Fever of 100.4° F or higher, body chills/shivers	Sore throat	Shortness of breath	Headache	New loss of smell or taste
Nausea or Vomiting	Diarrhea	Body aches	Fatigue	Cough
Pinkeye	Rash	Mouth Sores	Abdominal Pain	Runny Nose

Families may be contacted for further follow up if needed for an ill student. If you are called to pick up your sick student, please do so promptly or arrange for them to get home safely immediately. We have limited spaces in our Wellness Center/School for sick students to wait without exposing others. If you have any questions regarding the SFUSD illness protocol, please [visit webpage HERE](#) or contact our School Nurse, Judy (ZhengJ1@sfUSD.edu).

HANDBOOK: EXCUSED/UNEXCUSED ABSENCES

4.1.4 Excused and Unexcused Absences

Student and Family Handbook

Chapter 1: Welcome ∨

Chapter 2: SFUSD's Commitment to Families and Students ∨

Chapter 3: Family Resources and Rights ∨

Chapter 4: Student Academic Expectations ∧

4.1 Attendance Guidelines ∧

4.1.1 Importance of Attendance

4.1.2 Recommendations for Temporary School Exclusion Due to Illness

4.1.3 What Parents/Caregivers Should Do When a Student Will Be Absent

4.1.4 Excused and Unexcused

Excused and Unexcused Absences

([SFUSD Board Policy 5113](#))

Valid Excused Absences (Absences Excused by State law)

Verification of student absences is accepted only from parents/guardians/caregivers, or the student if they are 18 years old or older.

CA Education Code 48205 states that a student shall be excused from school when the absence is:

- 1 Due to the pupil's illness, including an absence for the benefit of the pupil's mental or behavioral health.
- 2 Due to quarantine under the direction of a county or city health officer.
- 3 For the purpose of having medical, dental, optometric, or chiropractic services rendered.
- 4 For the purpose of attending the funeral services or grieving the death of either a member of the pupil's immediate family, or of a person that is determined by the pupil's parent or guardian to be in such close association with the pupil as to be considered the pupil's immediate family, so long as the absence is not more than five days per incident.
- 5 For the purpose of jury duty in the manner provided for by law.
- 6 Due to the illness or medical appointment during school hours of a child of whom the pupil is the custodial parent, including absences to care for a sick child, for which the school shall not require a note from a doctor.

Importance of Attendance

California law requires that children between the ages of 6 and 18 attend school every day. While the law does not currently apply to children below the age of six, research shows that early education (pre-school and kindergarten) is essential for future academic success. It is the parent/caregiver's responsibility to ensure that their child gets to school every day.

Tips for Parents/Caregivers: Getting to School on Time

- Make sure your child goes to bed early and gets a good night's sleep.
- Develop a morning routine (get dressed, eat breakfast, brush teeth) and stick with it.
- Talk with your child about the importance of attending school every day for academic success.
- Arrange a time every night without interruptions for your child to do homework.

Regular Attendance is Essential!

National and local research has shown that students with frequent absences, whether excused or unexcused, have lower literacy levels, lower grades and higher drop-out rates than students who attend school regularly.

The Governing Board believes that regular attendance plays an important role in student achievement. The Board will work with parents/guardians and students to ensure their compliance with all state attendance laws and may use appropriate legal means to correct problems of chronic absence or truancy. **Absence in excess of 10% or more days of school, whether those absences are excused or unexcused, will be considered Chronic Absence.**

For support in keeping your child in school, or if you have any questions about District Attendance Policy, please contact your school administrator or the Student Family Services Division, by calling (415) 340-1716, emailing sfink@sfusd.edu or submit an online form at familylink.sfusd.edu.

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