



APG Family Bulletin

5/7/2025

Calendar of Events

Spring

APG Arts Department Newsletter [HERE](#)

5/5 - 5/9

Math SBAC, All Grades [Modified Bell Schedule](#); Bike & Roll to School Week

5/5 - 5/9

Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week (see slide below)

5/7

Beginning Concert, 6pm-7:30pm, APG Auditorium, all are welcome

5/8

Staff Appreciation Breakfast [SIGN UP TO DONATE FOOD/COFFEE](#)

5/9

Dessert Donations Requested for Appreciation Lunch [SIGN UP HERE](#)

5/12 - 5/16 Science SBAC for 8th graders only (no modified schedule)

5/14

Advanced Concert, 6pm-7:30pm, APG Auditorium, all are welcome

5/15

APG Athletic Awards Dinner, 6:00-8:30pm, Cafeteria (DETAILS ON SLIDE) [SIGN UP](#); [VOLUNTEERS](#)

5/15 - 5/23

Pick up your pre-ordered 8th Grade lei/stole/sign (more info below)

5/23

Career Day at APG, 2:40-4:00pm, 8th Graders; Deadline to fill out [APG Talks Survey](#)

5/26

Memorial Day Holiday, No School (Monday)

5/30

8th Grade Celebration at School; Cian's Celebration of Life in garden, 8:45-9:30

6/2

8th Grade Promotion [FEW MORE Volunteers Needed](#)

6/4

Last Day of School! Enjoy your Summer Break from 6/5 to 8/17!

Summer

We need MANY families to help with [Chicken Care during Summer Break](#)

Ongoing: Please check Lost & Found for your items; everything unlabeled/unclaimed will be donated at the end of May

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

A. P. Giannini SBAC MODIFIED Bell Schedule 2024-2025

Week of Apr 28, 2025 - ELA SBAC and CAA's in ELA classes 6 - 8

Week of May 5, 2025 - Math SBAC and CAA's in Math classes 6 - 8

(WEDNESDAY bell schedule remains the same.) (revised 4/24/25)

Week of May 12, 2025 - 8th grade science SBAC and CAA's - regular schedule, tests given within 8th grade Science classes all week

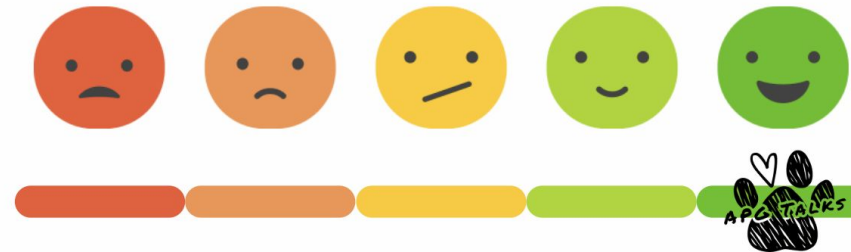
Monday - May 5 Math CAT and begin PT		Tuesday- May 6 Math CAT and begin PT		Thursday - May 8 Math PT and make-ups of ELA or Math assessments		Friday - May 9 Math PT and make-ups of any ELA/Math assessments	
Period 1	9:30 - 11:26	Period 4	9:30 - 11:26	Period 1	9:30 - 11:26	Period 4	9:30 - 11:26
<i>Passing</i>	11:26 - 11:31	<i>Passing</i>	11:26 - 11:31	<i>Passing</i>	11:26 - 11:31	<i>Passing</i>	11:26 - 11:31
Period 2.1	11:31 - 12:24	Period 5.1	11:31 - 12:24	Period 2.1	11:31 - 12:24	Period 5.1	11:31 - 12:24
Lunch	12:24 - 1:06	Lunch	12:24 - 1:06	Lunch	12:24 - 1:06	Lunch	12:24 - 1:06
<i>Passing</i>	1:06 - 1:11	<i>Passing</i>	1:06 - 1:11	<i>Passing</i>	1:06 - 1:11	<i>Passing</i>	1:06 - 1:11
Period 2.2	1:11 - 2:04	Period 5.2	1:11 - 2:04	Period 2.2	1:11 - 2:04	Period 5.2	1:11 - 2:04
<i>Passing</i>	2:04 - 2:09	<i>Passing</i>	2:04 - 2:09	<i>Passing</i>	2:04 - 2:09	<i>Passing</i>	2:04 - 2:09
Period 3	2:09 - 4:00	Period 6	2:09 - 4:00	Period 3	2:09 - 4:00	Period 6	2:09 - 4:00

Please fill out our 8-minute APG Talks Survey

Give us feedback on the learning environment, mental health and wellness, family engagement, and more!

Deadline to fill out the survey is May 23, 2025. Enter our Gift card raffle.

**Survey
Link Here**



HELP US IMPROVE!

FILL OUT OUR APG TALKS SURVEY!
8 MINUTES OF YOUR TIME





**Are YOU or someone you know interested in joining the APG team?
We will have many teacher/staff positions open at our wonderful middle school for the upcoming 2025-26 school year.**

- Mild/Moderate Special Education Teacher
- English/Language Arts Teacher
- Social Studies Teacher
- Paraeducator

For more information, please contact Heidi Smoot, Assistant Principal: smooth@sfusd.edu

SPRING CONCERTS

May 7 - Beginner Concert,
6pm, Auditorium

May 14 - Advanced Concert,
6pm, Auditorium

*Note: all concerts are FREE!



A.P. Giannini Middle School

Spring 2025

The Arts Department

Quarterly Newsletter



Scenes from APG Open House Sunset Arts Festival on Saturday April 26th



Lowell Combined Orchestra



Intermediate Advanced Orchestra



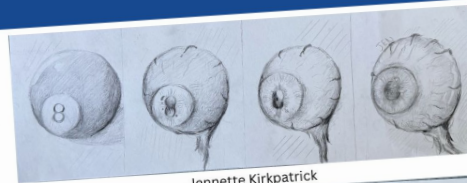
7th Grade Dance

click to read the

SPRING APG ARTS DEPT NEWSLETTER

Visual Arts

8th Grade
Morph Drawings
From Natural to
Man Made



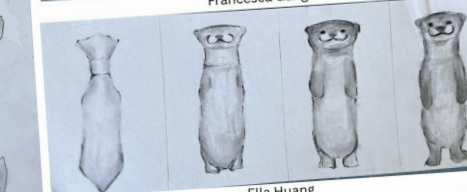
Jennette Kirkpatrick



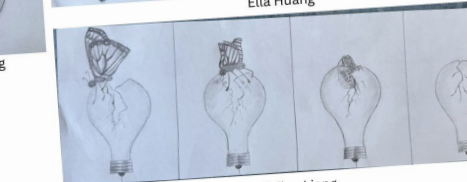
Zilin Yu



Francesca Gangitano



Ella Huang



Kailey Liang

Andy Wu Feng



Band

On March 20th, the members of the APG Advanced Band collaborated with fellow musicians from Niu Valley (Honolulu) Middle School. It was a wonderful experience to socialize and rehearse with them!



Stage Band Preparing for Arts Festival

Please Look Through the Lost & Found Area to claim your Item



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



[Sign Up for Chicken Care Here](#)

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

May 5 - 9 is Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week



MONDAY
5/5

TUESDAY
5/6

WEDNESDAY
5/7



Write and give Thank-You Cards to our Teachers, Librarian, Paras, P.E. Educators, Coaches, Outdoor Ed Teacher, Counselors, Office Admin, Dining Staff, Custodians, Specialists, Beacon Staff, Principals, and all our other staff at APG.



THURSDAY
5/8

Bring breakfast items

[SIGN UP HERE](#)



FRIDAY
5/9

Bring desserts for lunchtime

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

May 8th Staff Appreciation Breakfast

Please Donate Food & Coffee!

We'd love FOOD & COFFEE donations
for our Staff Appreciation Breakfast on
Thursday, May 8th !

SIGN UP HERE

signup.com/go/wMmuSoc

This is our last month for APG Families to provide
a delicious breakfast buffet for our incredible
teachers & staff before school starts,
at 8:45-9:25AM. Please drop off items from
8:00-8:30am. Thank you!



May 9, 2025

**We would love
dessert donations for
our teacher + staff
appreciation lunch!**

Sign Up



**DESSERT DONATIONS
for Teacher & Staff
Appreciation Lunch**

FRIDAY, MAY 9, 2025

DROP OFF ITEMS 8AM - 11AM

SIGN UP HERE (signup.com/go/NrtANbA)

AP GIANNINI MIDDLE SCHOOL PTSA
Questions? Email us at: gianninipta@gmail.com



APG ATHLETICS

FOLLOW US ON
INSTAGRAM

APG Track & Field Schedule

Congrats to all our student-athletes on our track team - we placed 2nd in All-City with a record score of 401 and many medals! Way to go, Track Team! Thanks to our amazing Coaches! Thanks to families for their support!

Athletics Awards & Dinner: May 15th, 2025, 6:00-8:30pm, APG Cafeteria; more Volunteers needed for this event to be successful (details on next slide)

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](#)

The 34th Annual Athletics Awards Dinner will be held on Thursday May 15, 2025 from 6:00pm-8:30pm in the Giannini Cafeteria. This Awards Dinner is open to any student-athlete who has played on a Giannini athletic team this school year. Each student-athlete can invite up to two parents/guardians. The last day to sign up and pay is Monday May 12th.

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

[VOLUNTEERS NEEDED](#)



Ticket Pricing:

- \$13 for one student-athlete only
- \$25 for one student-athlete + 1 parent/guardian
- \$35 for one student-athlete + 2 parents/guardians

Payment can be turned in to Mr. Alfaro after school (4pm) from May 6 - May 12 in the PE Hallway. We'll send out an email reminder for payment at the end of April.

- Cash (exact change appreciated) or a Check (written to "A.P. Giannini Middle School" and "Athletics" in the memo); we cannot accept Venmo PayPal, Zelle or Credit Card.
- Any additional DONATIONS to support the Athletics Department will be gladly accepted!

If you have any questions, please email Mr. Alfaro (Athletic Director) at [**alfaroi.c@sfusd.edu**](mailto:alfaroi.c@sfusd.edu)

PRE-ORDERED 8TH GRADE LEI PICK UP DATES/TIMES

8th grade parents - if you ordered a 8G Graduation Lei/Stole/Yard Sign for your student this Spring, please pick up your items on these four dates:

- Thurs May 15, 8:15am-9:45am (main office)
- Fri May 16, 4:00pm-5:45pm (main entrance hallway)
- Wed May 21, 8:15am-9:45am (main office)
- Fri May 23, 4:00pm-5:45pm (main entrance hallway)

**You cannot purchase a Lei at these pick-up times;
these are pre-ordered leis only for pick up by
those who already purchased their leis by 3/31.*





SIGN UP
HERE

WE NEED YOUR HELP WITH THE 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony

**On Monday, June 2nd
At Lincoln High School's Football Field.**

SIGN UP FOR ONE OF THESE SHIFTS ONLINE

We need 6G and 7G parent volunteers for the 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony on Monday, June 2nd at Lincoln HS.

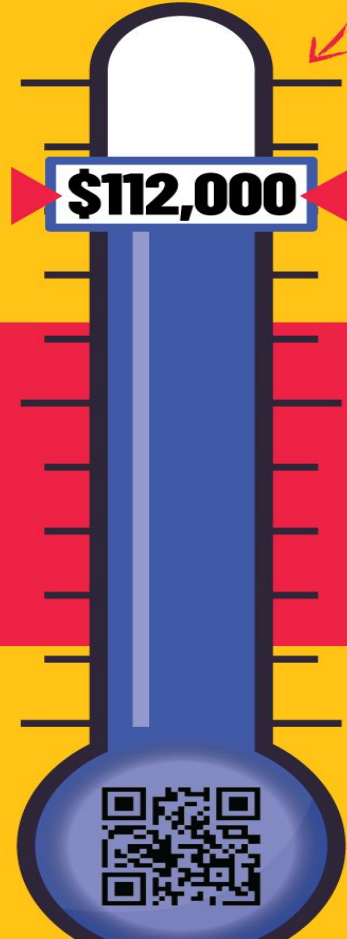
- Shifts available between 11:45AM-3:30PM
- Ceremony takes place 1:00-3:00pm

Come help the eighth grade students celebrate their incredible achievements. Set up, pass out programs, direct audience to their seats, crowd control exits, and clean up. There are three volunteer shifts. This is great for 6th and 7th grade families to get a sneak peak at graduation, and help our 8th grade families enjoy their students' achievements before going to high school.





GOAL
\$125,000



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TO SUPPORT VITAL
SCHOOL PROGRAMS

STUDENT, TEACHER, AND STAFF SUPPORT

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WELLNESS CENTER
TECH SUBSCRIPTIONS
FAMILY SOCIALS
GRADUATION & PARTY
TEACHER APPRECIATION

CLASSROOM SUPPLIES
PROJECT GRANTS
P.E. EQUIPMENT
SCHOOL EVENTS

tinyurl.com/APGdonate

DONATE HERE!

JAG FUND: WE NEED YOUR HELP TODAY!

We've raised \$112,000 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 \$13,000 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!

Free Meals at McAteer Cafe for ALL SF youth June 9 to July 22, 2025

555 Portola Drive, 94131 (Public Transportation: 44 and 48 bus lines
and not far from Forest Hill subway station)



Anyone 18 or younger, regardless of enrollment (or enrolled in an SFUSD school regardless of age), can get a free breakfast from 8:30 to 9:30 AM, and lunch from 12 to 12:30 PM, Monday through Friday, except Juneteenth and July 4th. Meals must be eaten on campus.

[Menu](#) | [Online Ordering](#)

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 on the last day of school, in the main office or to Ms. E in the library.
- 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.





BIKE & ROLL



to School Week!

Ride on your own or join us for a group ride!

¡Únase a nosotros para la semana de ir a la escuela en bicicleta o en ruedas!

在騎單車和滑行滾輪上學周,加入我們!

Susū mai ma tala mai 'a'ao e tatou te mafuta mo le Vaiao o le Ti'eti ega Uila & Āga'i i le Ā'oga!

Hãy cùng chúng tôi tham gia vào Tuần lễ

Đạp xe & Lăn bánh đến Trường!

قسنردملا إلى! قجادناب بولكرلا عوبسلأ انيلا! مضن!

Samahan kami para sa Linggo ng Pagbibisikleta at Pag-roll Papunta sa Paaralan!



MAY 5–9, 2025



Your school's event info.



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@sfsaferoutes
#bikeandrollsf
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San Francisco
County Transportation
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Join us for

BIKE & ROLL

to School Week!

Ride on your own or join us for a group ride!

MAY 5–9, 2025



Bike & Roll to School Week Art Contest Rules

Art Contest Rules are available in Arabic, Cantonese, Samoan, Spanish, Tagalog, or Vietnamese upon request.

San Francisco Safe Routes to School is holding an art contest for all San Francisco students to help spread the word and raise awareness about Bike & Roll to School Week. Students can share their work casually through social media and also enter their artwork via email to be considered for prizes and use in various San Francisco Safe Routes to School promotional materials.

Create a piece of visual art that expresses what biking and rolling to school looks like, feels like, and means to San Francisco students. And remember, there are many ways to bike and roll — scooters, skateboards, wheelchairs, and other active ways of getting around are all included!

STEP 1: Enter the contest!

Eligibility

- All SFUSD, private, and charter school students in San Francisco

Awards

- Grand Prize: \$100 Blick Art Materials gift card and art displayed as part of next year's Bike and Roll to School Week promotion! (All ages eligible)
- High School 1st Place: \$50 Blick Art Materials gift card,
- Middle School 1st Place: \$50 Blick Art Materials gift card
- Elementary School 1st Place: \$50 Blick Art Materials gift card

Submission Requirements for Consideration in Contest

- Artwork should be 8.5" x 11", landscape orientation
- All mediums welcome: drawing, painting, mixed media, digital, etc.
- Submit a scanned copy, high-quality photograph, or your digital art in .JPG or .PDF format to SRTSContest@sfmta.com
- Include your name, school, and grade level
- All entries due by May 15, 2025

Judging Criteria

- Creativity and originality
- Clarity of artwork's message for promoting Bike & Roll to School Week
- Representation of diversity and inclusivity

STEP 2: Share your work!

Parents and students can post photos of artwork to Instagram. Be sure to tag @sfbike, @sfsaferoutes and #bikeandrollsf in your post, so that everyone will see it!

Send any questions to SRTSContest@sfmta.com

If chosen as a winner, Safe Routes to School must be able to contact you and collect original artwork. Art becomes property of San Francisco Safe Routes to School.

Ruth Asawa School of the Arts AUDITION (by appointment)

We are looking for 8th grade students, auditioning for the first time, who live in San Francisco, and want to attend the Ruth Asawa School of the Arts. The following art departments have openings.

Please contact us TODAY at, cauthornp@sfusd.edu, and we will schedule your audition in one of the following departments.

Art Department	Open Space for 8th Grade Applicants	Audition Time/Date	Specifics
Contemporary Instrumental Music	Trombone Trumpet Guitar Electronic Music	by appointment only	At least one of each instrument
Classical Instrumental Music	Violin Viola Double Bass Oboe Bassoon French Horn Trumpet Trombone Percussion	by appointment only	At least one of each instrument
Spoken Arts	Qualified Writers/Performers	by appointment only	Rappers
Conservatory Dance	Qualified Dancers	by appointment only	Ballet/Modern/Jazz

[COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION to Audition](#)

OPEN SOTA AUDITIONS

- Auditions are for first time 8th grade applicants, and by appointment only.
- Complete and submit the **FORM - CLICK HERE** as soon as possible
- Contact Paulette Cauthorn via email at cauthornp@sfusd.edu to schedule an appointment.

Summer at the Willie Mays Clubhouse

Willie Mays Clubhouse at Hunters Point welcomes all youth ages 6-18 for Summer 2025! Highlights include: field trips, sports, fitness and play, Junior Giants Baseball, creative arts, teen programming, academic support and STEM, cooking, gardening, and more!

Dates and Time: June 5 - August 1,
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Email: Lateshia Jenkins, ljenkins@kidsclub.org

[Learn more here](#)

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Willie Mays Clubhouse at Hunters Point welcomes all youth ages 6-18 for **SUMMER 2025!**

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE

- Field Trips
- Sports, fitness, and play, including swimming and Junior Giants Baseball!
- Creative Arts
- Teen Programming, including Leaders-In-Training, Internships, and Career Exposures!
- Academic support and STEM
- Cooking and gardening

And More!

We provide dedicated elementary, middle and high school all-day programming!

June 5th - August 1st

Monday - Thursday 9AM to 5PM

Friday 9AM to 4PM

\$50 for the full 8 week sessions

Visit kidsclub.org/summerdetails for full pricing information and dates!

Questions? Reach out to the Clubhouse Director Lateshia Jenkins at ljenkins@kidsclub.org or call 415-655-5160



Sign up today at: kidsclub.org/register

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 APGattendance@sfusd.edu](mailto:404_APGattendance@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 sflink@sfusd.edu or submit an online form at familylink.sfusd.edu.

SCHOOL
ATTENDANCE
IS VERY
IMPORTANT