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Parents/Guardians of Eagle Ridge Students

At Eagle Ridge we strive for the success of all children. Regular attendance and punctuality are essential life skills. It is important that good habits are established at the start of a child's school career. Student attendance at teaching and learning events is strongly linked to student success. Poor attendance can create learning gaps which can lead to students feeling overwhelmed and missing more classes due to subsequent stress or anxiety.

## Additional benefits of attending school on a consistent basis:

- Enhancement of social and emotional connections with peers
- Connection with adults in the classroom and throughout the school so they experience a sense of belonging and want to be at school
- Student mental well-being, self-esteem, and positive mindset
- Development of the skills and strategies that lead to resiliency and the ability to overcome challenges
- Increase in confidence and willingness to participate in learning activities

## Additional benefits of attending school on time with their peers:

- Promotes positive social connections with peers before school starts
- An authentic, calmer, and more settled start to the day
- Introduction and awareness of the "Shape of the Day", class meetings and updates for the week
- Participation in the daily routines of the classroom
- Familiarity with the criteria that is shared at the beginning of a lesson
- Less disruption to the learning of classmates-and teacher instruction

Sincerely,

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