

DISTRICT COMMITMENTS

School District agrees to address chronic absenteeism and actively contribute to the proposed initiative by taking the following steps:

- Establish District goal to increase attendance and decrease the number of students who are chronically absent at school.
- Identify a Project Champion who will work with school staff and administrators to address chronic absenteeism.
- Establish a student/family connect and support team or utilize existing school teams to implement Count ME In strategies during the school year. This includes district reviewing its attendance data at least once a month.
- Utilize Count ME In technical assistance which involves regular meetings with the school's intervention team.
- Monitor the attendance data for individual students who are chronically absent or at risk of chronic absenteeism.
- Review district policies and practices and revise them as needed to foster school attendance by using both individual interventions and systemic procedures and activities.
- Include families and youth in the efforts to foster attendance and positive school climate and culture.
- Collaborate with community agencies to develop a protocol to jointly address chronic absenteeism.
- Complete surveys and participate in evaluation focus groups for the project.
- Develop capacity to monitor attendance and chronic absentee data regularly and to create an annual data report on attendance and chronic absenteeism.