

Good School Attendance means success in Life, but you have to be here, to get there!



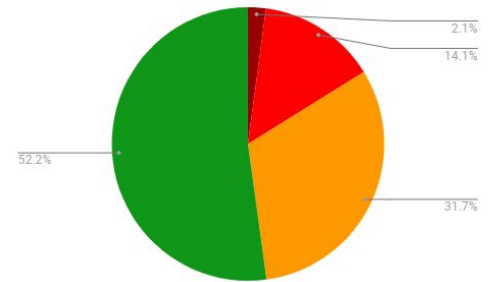
At Lava Ridge Intermediate School, we want EVERY student to succeed!

Chronic absenteeism (missing more than 10% of the school year, 18 days per year or 2 days per month, excused or unexcused) is a challenge facing many of your students and it's keeping them from reaching their full potential.

Research shows that students who are chronically absent could face the following detrimental outcomes:

- Students who are chronically absent in the 3rd grade have lower reading & achievement scores than their peers.
- Students who are chronically absent by the 6th grade have higher rates of dropping out of high school than those who attend regularly.
- Students who are truant have higher rates of delinquency and court involvement.
- Chronic absenteeism negatively affects the learning of other students in the class.
- Students who miss school frequently have increased social struggles and social-emotional issues such as school avoidance and anxiety.

(Source: www.attendanceworks.com, 2017)



2017-2018 Attendance Data from Lava Ridge

52% of students attend regularly (less than 5% absent)

32% of our students are in the at-risk category (5-10% absent)

14% of our students are chronically absent (10% or more absent)

2% of our students are severely chronically absent (20% or 36 days absent)

In the coming year, we are encouraging ALL students and families to STRIVE FOR FIVE!

Strive to keep your absences under five for the entire school year! You can help us make school a high priority for every student, every day by setting this goal and committing to plan appointments, vacations, and sporting activities around school attendance. Counselors and teachers can help you if you are facing challenges but the most effective plan will be when we work together to help students be at school.

As encouragement and incentive to achieve your goal, LRIS will be offering amazing prizes, fieldtrips, and other great rewards throughout the year to students and families who **STRIVE FOR FIVE!**

Learn more by [visiting our website](#) or contact the school counselors to see how we can help!