

TRUANCY PREVENTION & INTERVENTION SERVICES ages 12 to 17 years old

This program is responsible for providing services that help prevent students from being introduced to the Court System because of unexcused school absences.

Referrals will occur when a student has seven or more days of **unexcused absences** at school or unexcused absences for one or more class periods on seven school days.

SCHOOL ABSENCES

Excused: Illness, death of a family member, doctor's appointment, religious holiday.

Un-excused: Refusing to go to school, skipping school for a day or for a class, staying home to take care of siblings, missing school bus, making doctor appointments that could have been scheduled after regular school hours, working at a job.



What parents/Guardians can do?

- ◆ Talk about the importance of regular school attendance with your child
- ◆ Let your child know that you expect them to attend school everyday
- ◆ Help your child arrive at school on time
- ◆ Participate in all possible areas of your child's education
- ◆ Call the school or write a note to report the dates and the reason for absence
- ◆ Notify the school about anticipated absences before they occur
- ◆ Attend school conferences to resolve any attendance issues
- ◆ Cooperate with school personnel in correcting attendance problems
- ◆ Monitor the accuracy of your child's attendance record
- ◆ Notify the school of any changes in your home address, phone numbers/work/school/home.

GOOD STUDY HABITS



Set aside a **regular time and place** to study.



Concentrate! Cut out distractions. Take a short break now and then.



In math and science the first step is to **understand the problem**. What is given? What is wanted?



While reading textbooks, look for the **main thoughts** in each paragraph and chapter.



Get additional information from outside sources - other books, magazines, people, etc.



Rewrite the important ideas in **your own words**. Remember them.

Make your family proud

Make your teachers proud

Make your community proud

Most of all make yourself proud

Seven Traditional Anishinaabe Values

- Dabasendizowin—Humility
- Debwewin—Truth
- Zoongide'iwin—Courage
- Gwayakwaadiziwin—Honesty
- Manaaji'idiwin—Respect
- Zaagi'idiwin—Love
- Nibwaakaawin—Wisdom

POSITIVE OUTCOMES FOR GOOD SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

- Successful High School Graduation
- Less Risk for Out-of-Home Placement
- Better Employment Opportunities
- Higher Lifetime Earnings
- Less Likely to be Involved in Criminal Activity at an Early Age



"Education is the ability
to listen to almost anything
without losing your temper
or your self-confidence."

Robert Frost

"You never fail until you stop trying"
-Albert Einstein



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Leech Lake Family Preservation

Truancy Prevention & Intervention



MISSION STATEMENT

*The Leech Lake Band
of Ojibwe Child Welfare
Mission is "protecting a
child's sense of belonging
to family and tribe".*