## Margate Elementary

October 22, 2021

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Our goal every school year is to ensure that every student attends school regularly. Showing up for school has a huge impact on a student's academic success starting in kindergarten and continuing through high school. Even as children grow older and more independent, families play a key role in making sure students get to school safely every day and understand why attendance is so important for success in school and in life.

## Please ensure that your child attends school every day and arrives on time.

## Here are a few practical tips to help support regular attendance:

- Make sure your children keep a regular bedtime and establish a morning routine.
- Lay out clothes and pack back packs the night before.
- Ensure your students go to school every day unless they are truly sick
- Avoid scheduling vacations or doctor's appointments when school is in session.
- Talk to teachers and counselors for advice if your children feel anxious about going to school.

• Develop back up plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call on a family member, neighbor, or another parent to take your child to school.

We want to motivate and reward our students for good attendance. We will be starting our Saved by the Bell program. We will randomly pick days to reward classes that have 100% of their students in class and on time.

## Tardy/Absent Students: Starting, Monday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, any child that arrives after 8:00 a.m. will need to be signed in by a parent inside the Welcome center.

Sincerely,

Thomas Schroeder

**Proud Principal**