



# THE PRESENT

## Post



## PANORAMA GUIDANCE FOR ADDRESSING ATTENDANCE

The district's Strategic Plan and Portrait of a Graduate state that the district strives to "provide exceptional educational experiences for every student". In order to provide these experiences, students need to be in attendance more than 90% of the time. As of April 2025, 26% of the district's student body is chronically absent (missing 10% or more of school). To assist us in reducing this alarming percentage, Panorama has created an asynchronous guide and video outlining resources available in Panorama Student Success to address attendance.

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## TRUANCY MEDIATION

"Truancy mediation is a school-based restorative justice intervention for students and families struggling with regular school attendance." It is program run by the Juvenile Justice Court for students in grades 7-12 that uses the presence and skills of a neutral third party (mediator) to help resolve the attendance problem in a safe environment.

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## WEBSITE : ATTENDANCE RESOURCES UPDATE

Many new attendance resources to support attendance initiatives at your school have been added to the district website and can be located in a drop-down menu on the [attendance home page](#). You will find resources for:

- Schools
- Parents
- Truancy mediation



## DISTRICT ATTENDANCE CAMPAIGN 2025-2026

We are excited to announce the slogan for our District Attendance Campaign for the upcoming school year: **We're Better, When You're Here!** We are working hard to prepare toolkits, team resources, and intervention ideas that will give you ready to go resources. We will also be sending out resources to help you keep attendance top of mind at Back-to-School Night and ideas/resources for September Attendance Awareness Month. **Keep your eyes peeled for more information.**



## ATTENDANCE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Senate Bill 279 was passed during this last legislative session. Please read this bill and update your lists of valid excuses to include the “competition in a rodeo sanctioned by an international, non-profit organization dedicated to the development of sportsmanship, horsemanship, and character in youth through the sport of rodeo;”.

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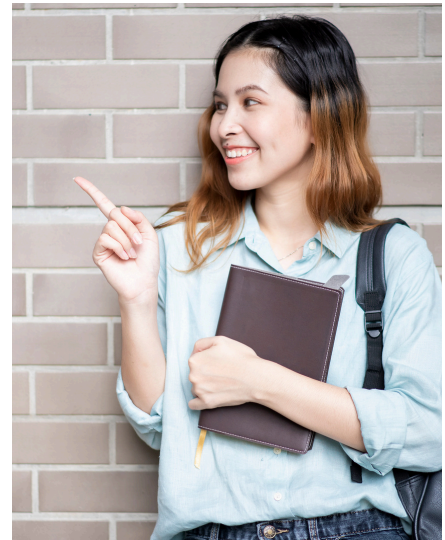
## BRIGHT SPOTS TO SHARE

Welby Elementary hosted a March Madness attendance initiative in an effort to increase attendance in March leading up to spring break. Way to go Welby!

West Hills Middle School has created a peer mentoring program and counseling groups to help combat chronic absenteeism. They have data demonstrating improved attendance from chronically absent students placed in these interventions. Nice work West Hills!

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**SCHOOL RECESS SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS &  
UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES & DATES**



## RESOURCE ROUNDUP

### HELPFUL RESEARCH OR REFERENCE ARTICLES

**Kindness Walls**-Part of increasing attendance in our schools is creating a positive school climate where students feel connected to others. One way schools across Utah are starting to increase the positivity in their schools is through “Kindness Walls”. Find more information at <https://youuplift.com/> and this [KSL article](#).



# PANORAMA ATTENDANCE RESOURCES

**Jordan School District Chronic Absenteeism Resources**

**Objective**

As of April 2025, 26% of Jordan School District students have missed more than 10% of the school year (chronically absent).

In order to ensure we are able to "provide exceptional educational experiences for every student," as outlined in the Jordan School District [strategic plan](#) and [Portrait of a Graduate](#), students must be in attendance for more than 90% of school days.

This guide outlines resources for school leaders to support attendance initiatives at their school, including goal setting, progress monitoring, and tiered student support.

**Why**

The [State of Chronic Absenteeism](#) research shows that chronic absenteeism has nearly doubled from SY2018-2019 to SY2023-2024.

\*While the root causes of chronic absenteeism are hard to identify, its negative impacts are well-documented. Students who are chronically absent tend to perform worse on standardized tests, are more likely to drop out, and often face challenges later in life, including unemployment (see Liu & Lee, 2022).

**Key Findings:**

- The school that a student attends matters to absenteeism. Controlling for student attributes and learning needs, as well as school poverty level, the school attended still influences the likelihood of a student being chronically absent by as much as 22%.
- Specific survey topics correlate strongly with chronic absenteeism. School safety and climate are most linked to absenteeism in elementary and middle schools, with social awareness most linked to absenteeism in high schools.

**Panorama Student Success: Attendance Resources**

**Attendance Report**

From your Student Success homepage, click on "Attendance Report." From there you can access a daily attendance graph:

Are we hitting our attendance goal? Our goal 95% daily attendance

**Yes!** 97.7% on Friday, March 16th daily attendance (30-day streak)

97.0% year-to-date average daily attendance

What is our daily attendance?

Underneath the graph, you can see a breakdown of absences, including each student's absence "streak"-the number of days they have been absent in a row.

\*School leaders use this report to set and monitor daily attendance goals and to identify students for tiered attendance follow up.

**Chronic Absenteeism Dashboard**

From your Student Success homepage, click on "Chronic Absenteeism Dashboard." From here, you can see the percent of students chronically absent at your school:

What are our current metrics?

Viewing 100 students

**Chronically absent rate**

The percentage of students who have missed more than 10% of their enrolled school days this year.

**18%**

202 of 1164 (17.33%)

View students

In addition, you can see how that percentage compares to your school's chronic absenteeism percentage last month and last year. You can also see the percent of chronically absent students who are currently in a documented attendance intervention.

\*School leaders use this report to set and monitor chronic absenteeism rate goals, and to ensure chronically absent students are part of an attendance intervention.

**Panorama Student Success: Attendance Resources**

From the Chronic Absenteeism Dashboard, you can identify and start an intervention for chronically absent students. Click on "view report" under "Missing attendance plan rate."

Student	Grade	Attendance rate YTD	Days missed YTD
Glen McCrate	11	87.2%	15
Laurence Schweninger	12	86.3%	16

From this roster, you can click the "Actions" button to write a referral or start an attendance intervention.

**Taking Action**

The Panorama Playbook is a library of 900+ research- or evidence-based strategies for educators. Click "Applications" (top right of your screen) and then "Playbook" to access the library. From there, use the toolbar on the left to apply the "attendance" filter:

Check and Connect

Average rating: 4.9/5 (18 votes)

Check and Connect is an intervention focused on building a trusting, supportive relationship with a mentor to help K-12 students who show signs of disengagement.

Absence Lunch Bunch

Average rating: 5.0/5 (16 votes)

This intervention provides a structured yet relaxed environment for building social connections, which can significantly improve a student's sense of belonging.

\*Use the "developmental stage" filter to narrow in on strategies for your grade level. Or to get at the root cause of attendance challenges, filter the library for more specific topics like "Sense of Belonging" or "Social Awareness"

**Additional Resources**

Panorama Academy Resources:

- [The State of Chronic Absenteeism](#)
- [Chronic Absenteeism Dashboard](#)
- [Understanding Key Attendance Reports](#)
- [Creating Individual and Group Interventions](#)

## PANORAMA GUIDANCE FOR ADDRESSING ATTENDANCE

Panorama has created an asynchronous guide and video outlining resources available in Panorama Student Success to address attendance.

- [Jordan <> Panorama Attendance Resources Guide](#)- The resource guide highlights resources available in Panorama to support attendance initiatives such as goal setting, progress monitoring and tiered support.
- [Jordan <> Panorama Attendance Resources Video](#)- The video is a step-by-step guide demonstrating how to locate and use data, how to use interventions and the playbook.



CHRONIC ABSENCE  
JORDAN DISTRICT  
DATA-  
APRIL 2025

26%

of our students are missing 10% or more of school so far this year. This equals

14,655 students

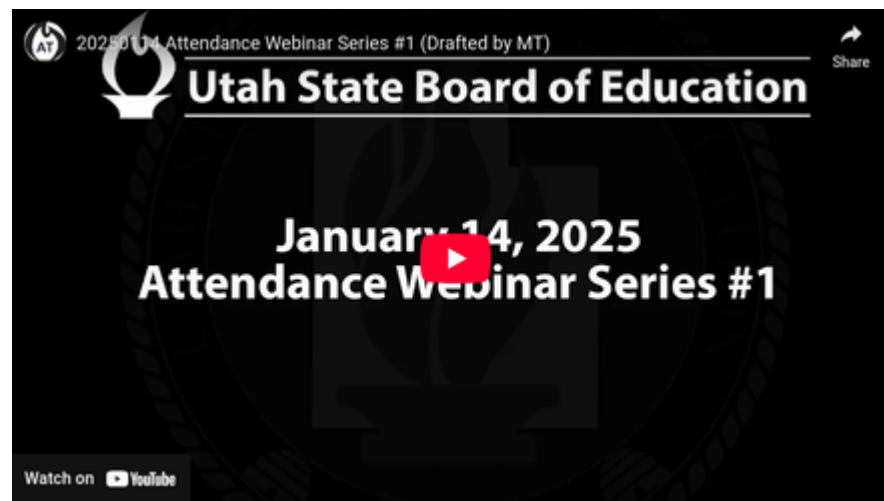


# UPCOMING ATTENDANCE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES & DATES

## USBE ATTENDANCE TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

The Utah State Board of Education will be hosting attendance webinars throughout the year.

- o **Next** webinar will be **Monday, May 12, 2025, at 10:30 am.**
- o The **following** webinar will be **Wednesday, July 16, 2025** at 10:30 am
- o Watch for links to this webinar in upcoming newsletter or find it on the USBE website.
- o If you missed the January or March USBE webinar you can find it on their [YouTube channel](#).



[USBE ATTENDANCE](#)

## ATTENDANCE WORKS OFFERINGS

- **Wednesday, May 14, 2025 @ 1pm**, Attendance Works Webinar, Attendance Awareness Campaign 2025 Series-Session #2- Health, Well-Being and Safety is Essential to Showing Up
- **Wednesday, August 6, 2025 @ 1pm**, Attendance Works Webinar, Attendance Awareness Campaign 2025 Series-Session #3- Student Connectedness Fosters Attendance and Engagement
- **Wednesday, September 24, 2025 @ 1pm**, Attendance Works Webinar, Attendance Awareness Campaign 2025 Series-Session #4- Family Engagement is the Foundation for Attendance and Learning.

[ATTENDANCE WORKS](#)

## MEMORIAL DAY RECESS SOCIAL MEDIA RESOURCE

English-

- [Facebook Post](#)
- [Instagram Post](#)

Spanish-

- [Facebook Post](#)
- [Instagram Post](#)



[School Recess Ready- Resources](#)