



SUPPORTING PROGRAMS TO ENHANCE School ↔ Family COMMUNICATIONS

In St. Vrain Valley Schools, communication between schools, teachers, families, students and the district is an essential part of fostering high levels of student growth and achievement. Our schools employ many tools and resources to enhance communication across our community to ensure that families are aware of school events, student grades, emergency and weather communications, unexcused absences and much more.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Attendance is one of the most important factors in determining if a student will do well in school, graduate and be prepared for success in their careers and postsecondary education.

In St. Vrain, communicating unexcused absences is an important first step in supporting student success and delivering resources to students and families who may need extra support to maintain regular attendance.



ATTEND. ASPIRE. ACHIEVE.



Students are chronically absent when they miss 10 percent of the school year. **Missing only 2 days a month** (for any reason) can have a significant impact on student success.



A habit of attendance is a **school readiness skill**. Students who are chronically absent in early grades are far more likely to be chronically absent in later grades. Building high attendance habits is also **a life skill that will impact success** as future employees, leaders and citizens.



The early grades matter. Only 41 percent of **students who are chronically absent in kindergarten or first grade** can read at grade level after third grade.



Students who attend school regularly are more involved in activities, athletics, fine arts and other programs that **build healthy social networks and important life experiences**.



Attendance is one of the largest predictors of whether a student will graduate. Students who attend school regularly stay on track for graduation and report higher levels of success in their future higher education and/or careers.



By college, a chronically absent high school graduate has **only an 11 percent chance of receiving any degree**, impacting success, well-being and their future.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCES

St. Vrain Valley Schools communicates unexcused absences through the Messenger® tool in Infinite Campus.

What is Messenger®?

The Infinite Campus (IC) Messenger application allows St. Vrain Valley Schools to communicate with parents/guardians via phone, email, text messaging or portal inbox as designated in the Infinite Campus Parent Portal.

If your student needs to miss school due to illness or other prearranged absence, it is important that you contact your school to get the absence excused. This will help the school better identify students in need of support and prevent unnecessary text, email and voice notifications.



SUPPORTING REGULAR ATTENDANCE

Talk about the importance of regular attendance and about how your child feels about school.

Build regular routines for bedtime and the morning.

Keep a chart recording your child's attendance at home and talk with your child about what you see.

Develop back up plans for getting to school if something comes up. Ask a family member, neighbor or another parent for help.

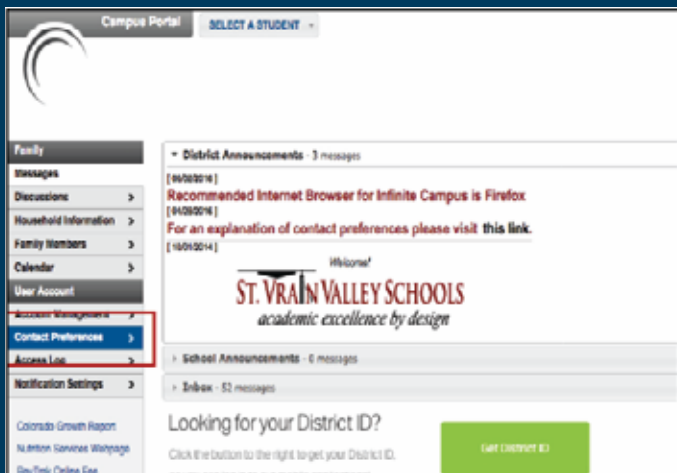
Seek support from school staff or community groups to help with transportation, academics, health problems or no safe path to school. Contact the Student Attendance and Engagement Office at 303-702-7887 for assistance.

If your child is sick or needs to miss school, please contact your school to get the absence excused.

CHECK YOUR NOTIFICATION SETTINGS

It is important to routinely verify and adjust these settings to ensure you are receiving all important school and district communications through the desired media. To adjust how you receive communications from your school or St. Vrain Valley Schools, start by logging into the Infinite Campus Parent Portal at <http://stvra.in/icparent>. If you do not have a login or password, contact your local school for assistance.

1. Select 'Contact Preferences' From the Menu



2. Enter Your Primary and Secondary Email

3. Select Email/Device for Message Type and Click 'Save'

	Emergency	Attendance	Behavior	General Notification	Priority Notification	Teacher
Cell Phone	Voice <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text (SMS) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Work Phone	Voice <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Text (SMS) <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Smart	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secondary Email	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Preferred Language: US English

If you need assistance adding your cell phone number or updating your settings, please contact your school office.



Did you know that Infinite Campus also has a free app that you can download on your phone?

Visit your app store to download the app and have quick access to your student's information and receive notifications for assignments, attendance, grades and more.