



## LINDA VERDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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This school year, our hope is that we will continue to work collaboratively to maintain a community that provides a safe, respectful, positive learning environment and promotes lifelong academic and social success for all our students.

## Attendance is Important

Research indicates that students with **good school attendance** tend to do better in their studies, have more friendships, like school and are more likely to graduate from high school. Help us ensure your student's success!

Parents and guardians, we ask that you avoid taking vacations during the school semester, as your student's days of absence will not be excused. **Attendance matters all year long!**

**Habitual absences or tardies:** Your child is expected to arrive at school on time every day. Regular attendance at school prepares students for academic success and is required by law. Students with habitual absences or tardies will be placed on an Attendance Contract, will participate in the Abolish Chronic Truancy Program (ACT) with the District Attorney, and are subject to receive a truancy ticket.

***If there are issues preventing your child from regular school attendance, please reach out to your teacher, principal or school staff to discuss any concerns so we can help.***

### TEACHING GOOD ATTENDANCE HABITS

- ✓ Create morning and evening routines.

Schedule appointments after school hours (if it must be during the day, please have your child attend school prior to the appointment, and return after the appointment).

- ✓ Plan family vacations during non-school days.

Have alternative transportation in place to get to and from school.

- ✓ Teach benefits of good attendance, for a positive outlook on school, which will also be a good skill to have when they work as adults.

**What is considered an excused absence?** : Medical appointments (although we encourage they be done after school). Court appointments, funerals, religious holidays not observed by the district (with prior principal approval).

**How can I clear an absence?** : Bring a parent/guardian, medical or court note to school, complete an attendance verification form, the day student returns to school. You may also call to notify the attendance clerk.

**What happens if your student gets perfect attendance?** : Your student will be eligible for an award and recognition. More importantly, **they'll be successful at school!**

### 2018-2019 Bell Schedules

**Full Day School Hours:  
8:30 A.M.-3:13 P.M.**

**Minimum Day School  
Hours:  
8:30 A.M.-12:45 P.M.**