

# Attendance Counts

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# Chronic Absenteeism v Truancy- What is the difference?

- Chronic Absenteeism- Missing 10% of school- equivalent to 2 days per month, 18 days over a 180 day school year
- Truancy- refers only to unexcused absences



# Attendance Works

Advancing Student Success By Reducing Chronic Absence

Based on 15-16 CRDC Data....

8 Million Students in the nation were chronically absent, up 800,000 from 13-14

Chronic absenteeism is a pervasive challenge affecting the entire nation

44% of all high schools have high and extreme levels over chronic absenteeism- but don't overlook elementary schools

Schools with high levels of poverty are more likely to experience high and extreme chronic absence



# ESSA Attendance

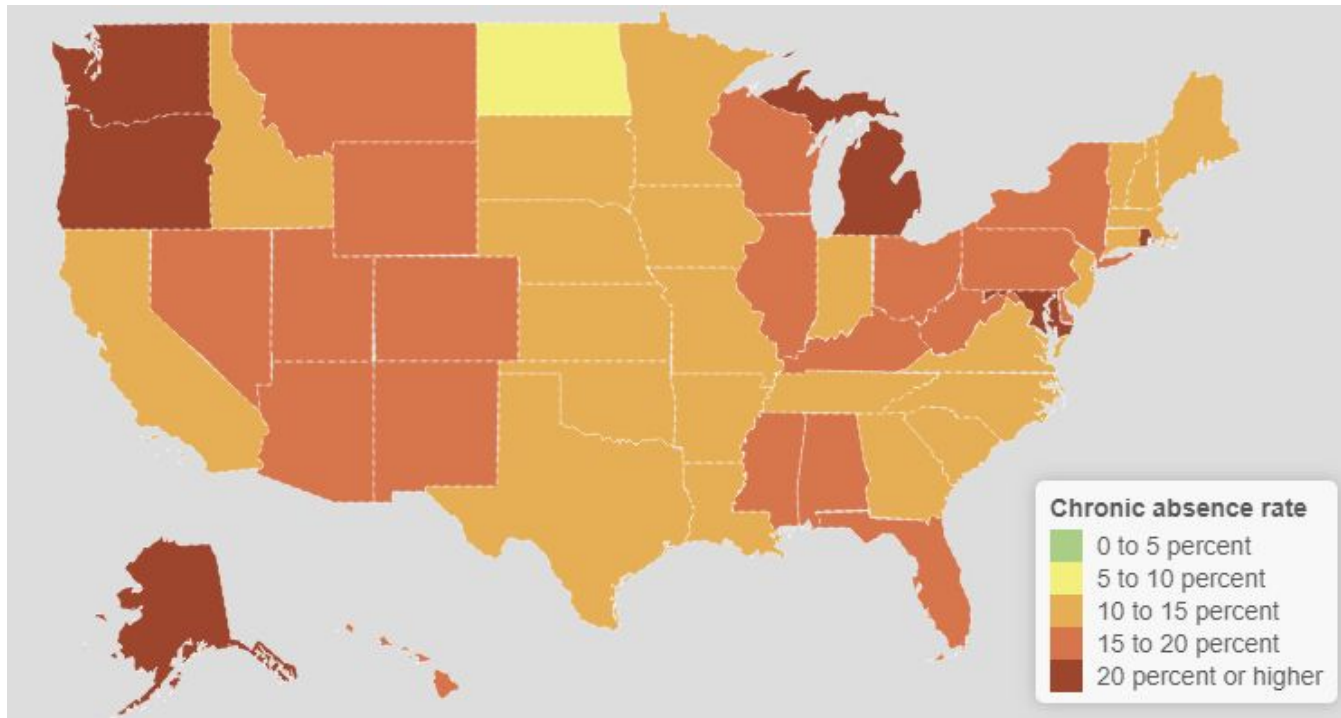
For all Schools, measures of the percentage of students who miss 10% or more of the school year against long-term goals and measure of interim progress. This includes students in grades 1-12 enrolled for ten or more days during the school year who were absent over 10% of their enrollment (for any reason) and attended at least one day of school.

	Did Not Meet State Long-term Goal	Met State Long-term Goal	Exceeds State Long-term Goal
Did not meet MP	1	NA	NA
Met lower MP	2	3	4
Met Higher MP	3	4	4



# THE HAMILTON PROJECT

## Chronic Absence across the United States, 15-16 School Year





# Explore Hamilton Project

Do I have a chronic absence problem? What makes me say this?

What do the data say about the size and scope of my problem

Who is most affected?

Are there differences among schools?

Is there a school in my district that has low chronic absence? What might explain that?

What will I do when I return home?



# Next Steps....

Attendance Plan

Family Engagement

Resources:

**Data Matters: Using Chronic Absence to Accelerate Action for Student Success** by Hedy N. Chang, Lauren Bauer, and Vaughn Byrnes

**Powerful Partnerships, A Teacher's Guide to Engaging Families for Student Success** by Dr. Karen L. Mapp, Ilene Carver, and Jessica Lander







# Questions? Thank You

Link to presentation:

<https://goo.gl/VBcVRr>