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Dear Parents/Guardians and Community Members,

**September is Attendance Awareness Month**, and we are thrilled to announce the launch of an important initiative that will make a lasting impact on our students and community—the **Show Up Campaign**. We know that consistent attendance is essential for academic achievement and personal growth. This is why we are asking for your partnership to ensure that every student shows up and thrives.

<u>Our Mission</u>: Our mission is to inspire and empower students, families, and the community to prioritize consistent attendance for every student. Through supportive partnerships, engaging resources, and a shared commitment to education, we strive to foster a culture where showing up is celebrated as the key to academic success, personal growth, and a brighter future for all.

As part of this campaign, we will provide a variety of resources, tools, and events to help families overcome challenges that may affect attendance. This initiative will include:

- Attendance awareness workshops for parents and caregivers
- Incentive programs to celebrate students with exemplary attendance
- Ongoing support for families facing barriers to consistent attendance
- Collaborative partnerships with local organizations to strengthen our efforts

We believe that by working together, we can make every day count for our students. When students attend school regularly, they are better prepared for learning, build stronger relationships, and stay on track toward achieving their full potential.

We look forward to your involvement and support in this initiative. Together, we can ensure that every day counts and every student thrives.

Thank you for your partnership in making this a success for our students.

Students missing 10% (18 days) of school days throughout the year are considered chronically absent.

Sincerely,

Superintendent John J. Niesz

And our Climate & Culture Department:

Maureen Brown, Principal Cassandra Fiadini, CIPS Camille High, CIPS Mary Doolan, Counselor