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This year, the Schenectady City School District has sharpened focus on student attendance by bringing awareness to the impact of chronic absenteeism and providing the tools and resources to ensure that all students are in school and on the path to graduation.

Since missing school can dramatically affect a child's academic success, we strongly encourage parents to closely monitor how many days of school their child is absent. **We offer you a powerful tool to do this.**

The Parent Portal

The Parent Portal is a web-based platform that allows you real-time access to schedules, grades and attendance data for all of your children. The process for signing up is simple:

Fill out the attached form.

- Chronic absence from school can dramatically affect a student's academic success.
 - Missing 18 days of school or more in a school year is considered chronic absenteeism.
 - Missing between 10-17 days in a school year is cause for concern.

Starting as early as Pre-K and Kindergarten, chronic absence can have adverse academic consequences.

By 3rd grade, chronically absent students are less likely to read on grade level.

By 6th grade, chronic absence becomes a warning sign that a student will drop out of high school.

By 9th grade, attendance is a better predictor of graduation than 8th grade test scores.

Good attendance is having 9 or fewer absences for the entire school year.

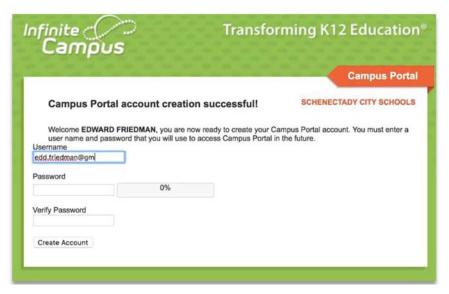
- Send the form to your student's school with a copy of your I.D.

 If you cannot make a copy of your ID, your school office can make one for you.

 You can also email a picture of your ID to portal@schenectady.k12.ny.us
- Check your email for an invitation to create your Parent Portal account.

 After we receive your form, you will receive an email that will include instructions and an activation link. Click on the activation to create your Parent Portal account.
- The Parent Portal screen looks like this.

 You will be asked to create a username and password.

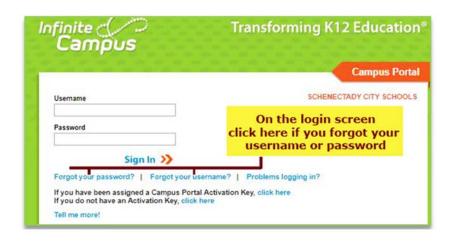


Did you forget your username or password?

If you forget your Parent Portal username or password, go to the login page. Click on the link below "Sign In."

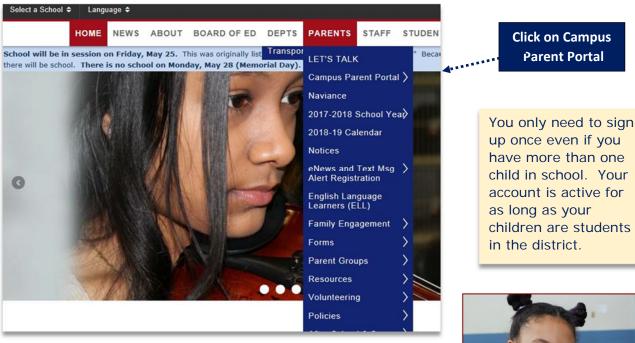
Once you have registered,

you will have access to your child's information.



To Log in

Use the link from the email that you receive or you can access it from the SCSD website under **#projectbehere** or the "Parents" dropdown menu.



"How To" Video: We created a video to walk you through the Parent Portal registration process. You can view it at: https://bit.ly/2GJgyWg. You can also find it on the website under **#projectbehere** and under Campus Parent Portal.

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Benefits of the Parent Portal include:

- Instant attendance notifications for your PK-12th grade student(s)
- Help your 7th-12th graders manage their course assignments
- See quarterly grades before you receive a report card in the mail
- See Regents test scores before you receive a report card in the mail

Questions and Support: If you have questions or need assistance setting up or accessing your account, please contact our Parent Portal team by clicking on the Let's Talk tab on the left hand of the district website.



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PARENT PORTAL Parent/Guardian Access Request Form

The Schenectady City School District can provide access to student information via the Infinite Campus Parent Portal. In order to protect the confidentiality of student records, all parents/guardians who want to use this service are required to fill out this form and return it in person to any one of your student(s)' schools or via e-mail at portal@schenectady.k12.ny.us. For security purposes, a photo ID is required when you return the form.

(PLEASE PRINT) Parent/Guardian Name: (One name per form) (First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name) Parent/Guardian Home Address: Phone: Parent/Guardian E-Mail Address: Please list all children in household who are/will be enrolled in Schenectady City School District Your Relationship Reside with **Student Name** School Grade Level to Student Student (Yes or No) I certify that all of the above information is true and I have legal authority to access the records of the student(s) listed above. This access is restricted to authorized users for official purposes only. Care must be exercised to ensure passwords and private data are secure and that unauthorized users are not permitted to access or make changes to your family's personal information. Passwords are not to be shared or recorded in any location that is accessible to unauthorized personnel. Signed: Signature & ID <u>must</u> be that of the Parent/Guardian shown on first line Important - Once the information provided above is verified and processed, you will receive your Infinite Campus Activation via the eMail address you provided. Please allow five (5) to seven (7) school days to receive this email. When you receive your Activation eMail, you will be able to access the Campus Portal through on the Schenectady City School District's website: http://www.schenectady.k12.ny.us/, and create your username and password. Office Use Only: Date Returned: ____ ID Verified Form & ID Checked By: _____

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