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Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

The Edison Local School District is participating in an attendance pilot project with several other rural districts from Ohio and New York.

In an effort to increase attendance to school for all students, the district will be implementing the following attendance protocols for all students beginning on January 4, 2021.

The following protocols will go into effect:

-Letter home to graduating seniors whose attendance is below 90%, which meets the definition of Chronic Absenteeism. Graduating seniors whose attendance is below 90% at the end of the school year will not be permitted to walk at graduation and can pick up their diploma in the high school office following graduation.

-The district will accept eight (8) parental excuses for approved valid reasons. After the acceptance of eight parental excuses, a physician's excuse is required. An original physician note is REQUIRED. Photocopies will NOT be accepted, this includes notes received by fax. This also applies for and other appointments and approved absences. After eight absences, if no excuse is provided within 24 hours of absence it will be considered an unexcused absence.

If you have exceeded, at, or are approaching the eight excused days they will count towards this protocol.

-Students whose attendance to school is below 90% will have the opportunity to begin Restitution hours. Parents will begin to receive postcards and phone calls once a student goes below the 90% threshold for attendance. Restitution at each building will be different. The building principal will be in contact with you to inform you of when restitution will be available in each individual building.

We do understand that there are circumstances that sometimes requires students to be absent from school, but it is our goal to have all students in attendance daily when school is in session. Once a student exceeds eight days absent, daily instruction and learning starts to be compromised.

If you have questions or concerns please feel free to reach out to your child's building principal.

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