TRUANCY PREVENTION & INTERVENTION
SERVICES ages 12 to 17 years old

This program is responsible for providing services that help prevent students from being introduced to the Court System because of unexcused school absences. Referrals will occur when a student has seven or more days of unexcused absences at school or unexcused absences for one or more class periods on seven school days.

SCHOOL ABSENCES

Excused: Illness, death of a family member, doctor’s appointment, religious holiday.

Un-excused: Refusing to go to school, skipping school for a day or for a class, staying home to take care of siblings, missing school bus, making doctor appointments that could have been scheduled after regular school hours, working at a job.

What parents/Guardians can do?

♦ Talk about the importance of regular school attendance with your child
♦ Let your child know that you expect them to attend school everyday
♦ Help your child arrive at school on time
♦ Participate in all possible areas of your child’s education
♦ Call the school or write a note to report the dates and the reason for absence
♦ Notify the school about anticipated absences before they occur
♦ Attend school conferences to resolve any attendance issues
♦ Cooperate with school personnel in correcting attendance problems
♦ Monitor the accuracy of your child’s attendance record
♦ Notify the school of any changes in your home address, phone numbers/ work/school/home.

Make your family proud
Make your teachers proud
Make your community proud
Most of all make yourself proud
Seven Traditional Anishinaabe Values
- Dabasendizowin—Humility
- Debewewin—Truth
- Zoongide’iwin—Courage
- Gwayakwaadiziwin—Honesty
- Manaaji’idiwin—Respect
- Zaagi’idiwin—Love
- Nibwaakaawin—Wisdom

MISSION STATEMENT
The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Child Welfare Mission is “protecting a child’s sense of belonging to family and tribe”.

“You never fail until you stop trying”
-Albert Einstein

POSITIVE OUTCOMES FOR GOOD SCHOOL ATTENDANCE
- Successful High School Graduation
- Less Risk for Out-of-Home Placement
- Better Employment Opportunities
- Higher Lifetime Earnings
- Less Likely to be Involved in Criminal Activity at an Early Age

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