



Bronx Lighthouse Charter School

Lower Academy Principal's Newsletter

September 7, 2011

Dear Families,

Thank you for helping us with a terrific start to the new school year! There are two items that are an important focus for us at the beginning of the school year.

Attendance

One of our school goals is 95 % attendance. In order to reach that goal, we need your scholar in school all day, every day. When scholars are absent, they fall behind. We want them to be present, get ahead, and graduate from college. Keep these attendance rules in mind:

- 3 unexcused tardies equals 1 unexcused absence
- 15 tardies and/or 10 absences is considered "educational neglect"
- Excessive tardies and absences can lead to "promotion in doubt" and possible retention

Ms. Valentine is here to help if getting to school on time is a chronic problem for you. Call her at the school to see if we can schedule bus service or provide other assistance.

Uniforms

As of Tuesday, September 6th, scholars who are out of uniform will receive one phone call home before they serve consequences. Ms. Valentine will be sending home Uniform Violation Notices to all students who are not in uniform. Be advised that patches are no longer considered proper uniform. Please see Ms. Valentine if you have questions on uniform orders.

Mandatory Back to School Night – Wednesday, September 14 at 6 p.m.

Mark your calendars for Back to School Night next week. This is a time where you can see your scholar's classroom and hear important information from the teacher. I look forward to seeing you next week!

Shine On!

Meghan Kimpton
Lower Academy Principal