

## The Be@School Mission

The Be@School mission is to address barriers to school attendance for Hennepin County's K-12 students and their families through early interventions which are collaborative and family-focused.

## Values

Education  
Equity  
Collaboration  
Respect, Accountability  
Interconnectedness

Be@School is a social service program within the Hennepin County Attorney's Office, working to support students and families to increase school attendance.

Our program helps families by identifying barriers to daily school attendance and providing resources to address those barriers. Be@School strives to keep families from going deeper into the juvenile justice system.

**If your family needs support,  
contact Be@School:**

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# Everyone has a role in helping students get a quality education.

## The Family's Role

Talk to your student about school and education. Help them understand the importance of education and learn how they feel.

Notify the school if your student will miss school for any reason.

Know the school's attendance policy.

Check on your student's school attendance. Often this information is available online.

Develop backup plans for getting to school if something comes up.

Remember that a stomachache or headache can be a sign of worry/anxiety or physical illness. Work with a medical provider or school nurse to determine if your student should stay home from school.

Set limits around bedtime, videogames, and cell phone use.

Seek help if you need support. School staff, community agencies, and other community members can help.

Make sure your student attends school regularly.

## The School's Role

Maintain accurate attendance records.

Communicate regularly with the parent(s)/guardian(s) and students about attendance.

Provide a program/schedule that meets the student's needs.

Address barriers to the student's ability to attend and learn.

## Be@School's Role

Offer information to families about education laws.

Offer to help families without child protection or court involvement.

Work with families and schools to identify barriers to daily school attendance.

Provide resources to address attendance barriers.

Education is the foundation for lifelong success and opportunity.

