Denver Public Schools

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Dear families:

Welcome to a new school year!

I am Breiah Daniels, the School Psychologist / Attendance Officer at Garden Place Academy. I wish and hope to be a good resource for your child and family. Garden Place is committed this year to improve the attendance of all students so that everyone can access their education in the best possible way.

Regular attendance and participation in school is important for them to obtain their academic skills, for their social skills to be positive, and for them to learn to be responsible.

Keep in mind that Colorado has a State Assistance Act for children 6 to 17 years old. The Garden Place attendance Policy is there must be some form of communication if your student will be absent. If a student misses more than $\underline{2}$ days, a doctor's note is needed to excuse the absence. Be sure to talk to the school when your child is absent, or absences will not be excused. If there are more than $\underline{2}$ absences, we will have to have a meeting to discuss how we can support them for their child to come to school.

If absences are excessive (**10 or more**), we are required to file a Truancy Petition with the courts of Denver County. This will require you, and possibly your child, to attend a court hearing.

We hope that your child will have a good attendance this year.

Thank you for your cooperation and support! All of us here at Garden Place want your child to be successful in school and we want to work hard by your side. Please call me if you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Breiah L. Daniels

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