

Every Day Counts

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

During these financially difficult times, parents often ask, "How can I help?"

When students miss school, they miss important instruction. In addition when students are absent, the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District does not receive State funding for that day—regardless of whether the absence is excused or unexcused.

Simply by increasing attendance by 1%, our school district can gain an additional \$1 million from the State of California. This would help make a huge difference in saving student programs and services during the State's fiscal crisis.

How? The State of California funds school districts based on student attendance, not on the number of students enrolled in the school district. Average Daily Attendance (ADA) determines the revenue that a school district receives.

If a student is in school, the PYLUSD collects a full day's ADA revenue from the State. If a student is not in school at all, the PYLUSD collects nothing for that day—regardless of whether the absence is excused or not.

"Every Day Counts" when it comes to instruction and it also makes a financial difference for our school district as well. If a family trip or doctor's appointment is necessary and children are not sick, please bring them to school. If children are sick, PLEASE KEEP THEM HOME UNTIL THEY GET WELL.

Thank you for helping us make a difference and for making "Every Day Count."