

## WEST HIGH SCHOOL WHERE ATTENDANCE COUNTS

- Poor attendance in school leads to dropping out of high school.
- Students who do not get a high school diploma will make approximately \$15,000 to \$20,000 per year less than if they had a diploma.
- Truancy is the most significant of all RISK factors to predict first time marijuana use.
- Truants are 2-8 times likely to be found guilty of a crime.
- Daytime crime rates rise with truant students.
- Truancy causes school disruption, lower test scores, and criminal behavior.
- Non-attendance leads to less employment opportunities, work stability, poor relationships, poverty and dependence on public assistance.

## **REGULAR SCHOOL ATTENDANCE LEADS TO;**

- Increased Academic Achievement.
- Improved Peer Relationships.
- Improved Family Relationships.
- Improved Self Esteem.
- Improved Sense of Purpose.
- Attachment to West High School.
- Increased Positive Attitudes
- Improved Employment Choices.
- Work Stability
- Improved Economic Status.
- Make More Money