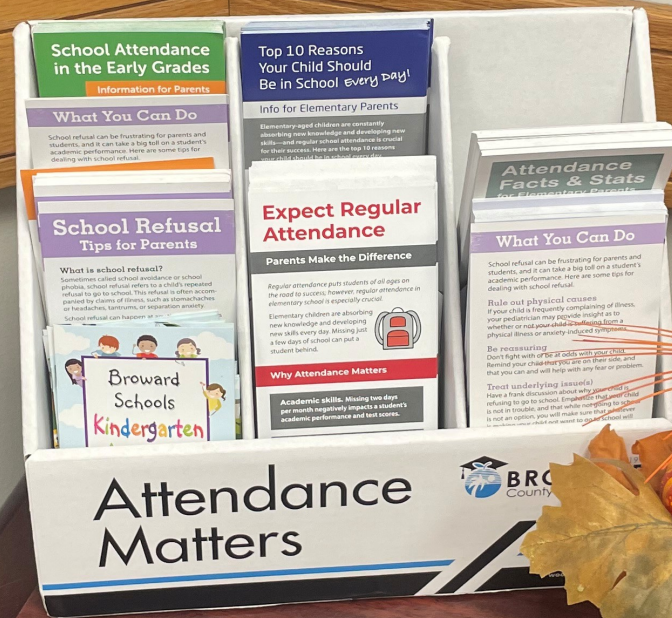


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### School Attendance in the Early Grades

Information for Parents

#### What You Can Do

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### School Refusal: Tips for Parents

**What is school refusal?**  
Sometimes called school avoidance or school phobia, school refusal refers to a child's repeated refusal to go to school. This refusal is often accompanied by signs of stress, such as stomachaches, headaches, tantrums, or separation anxiety.

School refusal can happen at any age.

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#### Rule out physical causes

If your child is frequently complaining of stress, your pediatrician may provide insight as to whether or not your child is suffering from a physical illness or anxiety-induced symptoms.

#### Be reassuring

Don't fight with or for at odds with your child. Reassure your child that you care and that you can help with any fear or problem.

#### Treat underlying issues

Have a frank discussion about why your child is refusing to go to school. Sometimes, the reason is not as obvious, and that while working to solve the problem, you will make sure that your child is not an option you will make sure to give school will.

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