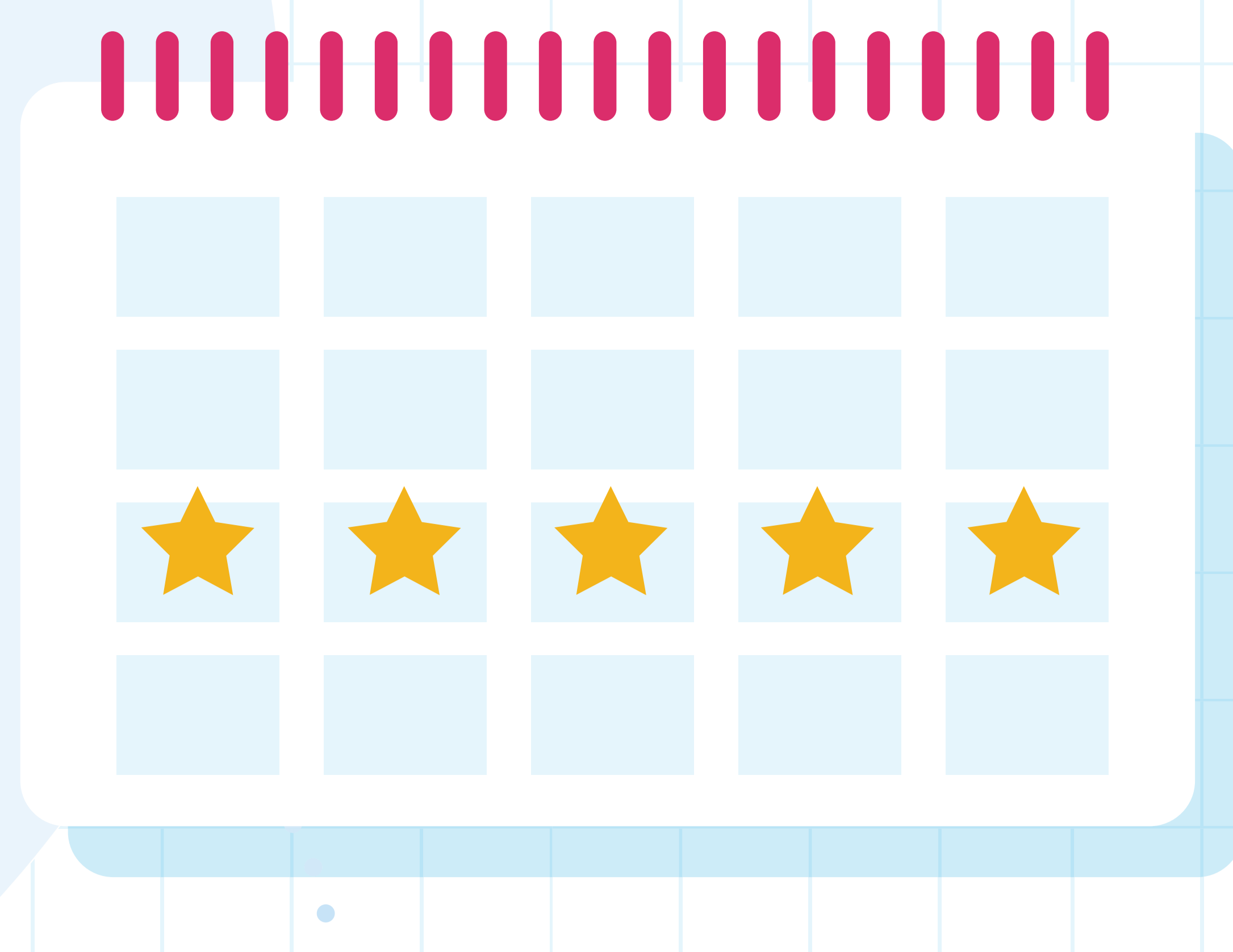


Boosting Attendance at Every Age

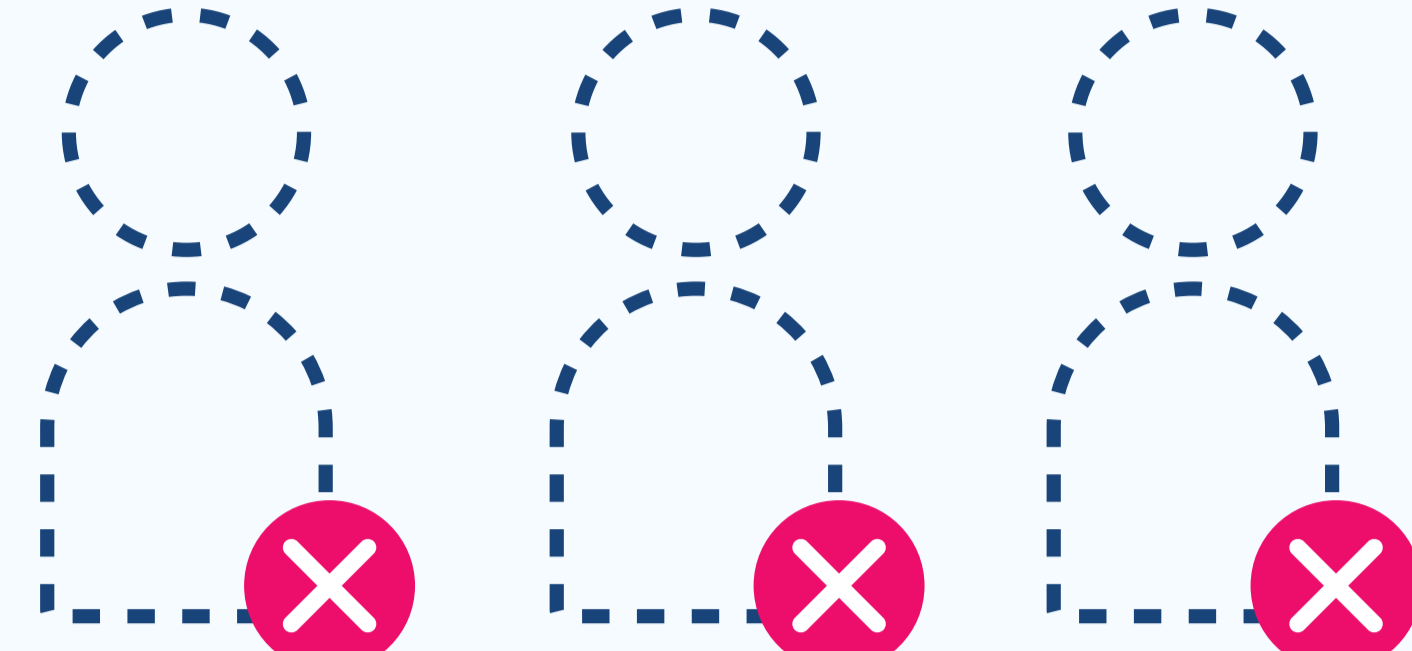


Strategies for addressing absenteeism in elementary, middle, and high school

Chronic absenteeism is rising, and students across all grade levels feel the impact.

28% chronic absenteeism rate in 2022-2023

75% increase over pre-pandemic levels



Grades + graduation rates + future earning potential all affected by chronic absenteeism

The reasons students miss school vary by age. Use these targeted strategies to help students show up, stay engaged, and succeed—at every stage.

JUMP TO
Elementary School

JUMP TO
Middle School

JUMP TO
High School

Elementary School

Build the foundation early

- 1 Create routines** students can count on. Predictable schedules ease anxiety and support daily attendance.
- 2 Engage families** as partners. Send home positive messages and keep communication consistent.
- 3 Make school a welcoming place.** Celebrate milestones, greet students by name, and build strong teacher-student relationships.
- 4 Act early** on warning signs. Track absences and follow up quickly when a student misses school.
- 5 Address barriers to attendance.** Make systemic improvements to challenges such as transportation and mental health.



Middle School

Support the transition years

- 1 Center inclusion.** Encourage participation in clubs, teams, and activities so students build their community.
- 2 Strengthen staff-student connections** so every student has a trusted adult on campus.
- 3 Use data** to track patterns and intervene before disengagement worsens.
- 4 Support mental health** by providing access to counseling and safe spaces.
- 5 Engage families** with timely updates so parents know about attendance trends.



High School

Connect attendance to the future

- 1 Connect attendance to goals** to show how graduation, college, and careers rely on consistent engagement.
- 2 Provide real-world learning opportunities** to boost curriculum relevance.
- 3 Celebrate successes** with students and families by using accessible communication channels that keep families informed of attendance goals and progress.
- 4 Empower student voice** by including students in planning solutions and strategies that work for them.
- 5 Use predictive analytics** to identify and support students who may be at risk of disengaging from school.



A proven solution to improve attendance

Boost attendance, reduce absenteeism, and build family partnerships with PowerSchool Attendance Intervention.

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