
Chronic Absenteeism Task Force – Tuesday, October 24, 2023
4:30 – 6:00 pm

General Public to view: <https://www.youtube.com/@virginiadepartmentofeducat1340/streams>

Prereads:

- ✓ *The 74* (October 12, 2023) - [Post-Pandemic, 2 Out of 3 Students Attend Schools With High Chronic Absenteeism](#)
- ✓ *The Thomas B. Fordham Institute* (September 21, 2023) - [Chronic Absenteeism Has Become a Crisis, part 3: Solutions](#)
- ✓ *Chalkbeat* (September 28, 2023) - [Many schools went all in to fight chronic absenteeism. Why are kids still missing so much class?](#)
- ✓ [ALL IN VA Powerpoint Deck](#) – (September 7, 2023)
- ✓ *OPTIONAL: Attendance Works* (December 2020) – [Learning from the Reducing Barriers to Learning Initiative](#)

A. Welcome & Task Force Overview

- Emily Anne Gullickson, Deputy Secretary of Education/Co-Facilitator

B. Grounding in Why

- Superintendent Lisa Coons/Co-Facilitator
- Superintendent Share-Outs
- Approach for Meetings

C. Student Transportation

- The Connection to Attendance and Promising Practices
 - Track Mode of Transport – Dismissal Management
 - Understand Actual Ridership
 - Methods to Strategically Differentiate Service
- Share-out Resources

D. Close Out

- Focus for Upcoming Sessions
- Next Steps