



# **Attendance Resource**

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## Introduction

With SchoolSpeak, taking attendance is a simple process. You may elect to take attendance by homeroom, subject class or even in a club or activity. The Attendance resource is customized to your own school – your attendance codes, your preferred attendance weights and you may decide who has access to the attendance records. Attendance administrators may use administrative tools to view the attendance status for your school in a single display. And best of all, the Attendance resources are linked to your report cards so that at the end of your term, the data is automatically uploaded to the report card.

**Note:** Within this document, we will refer to the attendance resource. The attendance resource is actually the Grade Posting Resource with the attendance portion enabled and the gradebook portion disabled. It may also be referred to as an attendance book.

When parents\* log into SchoolSpeak, their student's absence status is typically displayed on the classroom group's Homepage. Administrators also have the option of sending an email to the parents based on the type of absence that has been noted within the Attendance resource for the class. Schools may also publish Attendance progress reports.

**Definition – Parent – A member** with Member type = Parent and associated with a student as mother, father or guardian.

## Working with SchoolSpeak's Lunch Resource

For schools that elect to use SchoolSpeak's Daily Order resource to track lunch orders, the attendance may be tied directly to the lunch order. Teachers may view the lunch count, modify the order lunch, and record the lunch money receipt on the attendance page.

## Important Features of the Attendance Resource

- Easy to use for teachers and office administrators
- Customizable for your school
- AM/PM reporting available
- Homeroom or subject (class) attendance options available
- Real time access for parents with email support
- Robust reports

Able to administer your school's attendance from a central admin utility

# Examples of Attendance

## Example of teacher view

Welcome, **dbradford** [ Switch User ] [ Tools ] Home | Communities | Contact Edit My Profile | Change Password Logout

**HOMESTEAD School**

Please select Messages for Mar 31, 2016 Change Date

**Grade 4** Grade 4 (4th Grade)

Members  
 Email  
 Text/SMS  
 View My Calendars  
 Quick Links  
 Announcements  
 Conferences  
 Disciple of Christ  
 Conduct Report  
 Homework  
 Religion  
 Language Arts

**4th Grade Announcements**  
**The Magician's Nephew** *More*  
 Updated on 02/11/2016 03:36 PM

**4th Grade Calendar**  
 Thu, 31 Mar 2016 9 AM - Math Facts

**Attendance**

**Brown, Calvin**  
**Tardy** : 03/31/2016

**Quinn, Martin**  
**Tardy** : 03/31/2016

**Bradford, Karen**  
**Medical Absence** : 03/31/2016

Teachers may view the attendance of all the students

## Example of parent view

Welcome, **abrown123** Home | Contact Edit My Profile | Change Password

**HOMESTEAD School**

Messages for Mar 31, 2016 Change Date View Archive

**4** 4 (4th Grade)

Email  
 View My Calendars  
 Quick Links  
 Announcements  
 Calendar  
 About  
 Parent Conferences  
 History Project  
 Class Supplies  
 Volunteer Times

**4th Grade Announcements**  
**The Magician's Nephew** *More*  
 Updated on 02/11/2016 03:36 PM

**4th Grade Calendar**  
 Thu, 31 Mar 2016 9 AM - Math Facts

**Attendance**

**Brown, Calvin**  
**Tardy** : 03/31/2016

Parents may view their own children's status

# Working with Attendance Resource

## How to take Daily Attendance

### To take attendance for current date:

1. Verify that the date displayed in the date field is the correct date for your attendance notation.

**Note:** By default, it will display the current date.

2. To report that all students are present – Click **All Present** at the top or bottom of the screen

**Note:** A blank cell within the attendance resource means that the student is present. You will only note the exceptions in the attendance resource.

3. To report that one or more students is not present

- a. Click the blank cell next to the student name.
- b. Enter the appropriate attendance code. Use the box located at the top of the attendance window for the accepted codes.
- c. Add comments to support the attendance code if necessary.

**Note:** Any comments that are entered will display on the group home page to the parents and guardians. You may opt to not display the comments on the home page. Please see the **Settings** section for more details.

- d. Click **Save** at the top or bottom of your screen.

SchoolSpeak will confirm that the attendance has been recorded and display the name of the member that recorded the attendance, as well as the date and time it was recorded.

## How to Take or Modify the Attendance for Another Date

### To take attendance for another date:

1. Change the date in the date field at the top of the screen to the appropriate date.
1. SchoolSpeak will display the attendance data for that date.
2. Make any modifications necessary by clicking into the cell next to the students' names.
3. Click **Save**.

## How to Update the Attendance Record

Schools often need to make adjustments to the attendance record throughout the day as students leave and come to school later for a variety of reason. With SchoolSpeak, you may allow other staff members to update the attendance records.

### To update an attendance record:

1. Click on the appropriate attendance book for that student.
  - a. You may locate the attendance resource in either the student's homeroom group or via the Admin Tool **Attendance Report** listing.

2. Make adjustments as necessary.
3. Click **Save**.

The attendance resource will display the name of the member who last updated and date/time of the update.

## How to Clear the Attendance Record

Sometimes it may be necessary to clear the noted attendance for a particular day and re-enter the information. For example, the attendance was taken for the wrong day.

### To reset the attendance record\*:

1. Verify that the date in the date field is correct. Change if necessary.
2. Click **Clear All Attendance** at the bottom of the attendance screen.
3. Make any new notations that are necessary.
4. Click **Save**.

SchoolSpeak will clear all of the attendance codes currently recorded for the data.

***\*If the attendance record is cleared, then all previously saved data for that date will be cleared and cannot be accessed.***

## Additional Features of Attendance Resource

At the top of your attendance window, you have the following options

- *Published Reports* - Quickly review previously published reports
- *Reports* - Produce attendance reports by various criteria including weekly, yearly, by student, attendance record
- *Tools* – Allows teacher to close or administrators to lock the attendance term
- *Attendance Report* – Allows administrators to view summary attendance reports by date, or block of dates.

*Settings* - Enables the teachers or administrators to customize the configuration of the Attendance resource. We will go into more detail of the Settings tool later in this section.

We will go into more detail of these options later in this guide.

## Publishing Attendance Report

Schools may publish an attendance report to the parents that will display a snapshot of the child's attendance status to date. Teachers may publish the attendance report from within the Attendance resource or administrators may publish the reports using the Manage Gradebook Functionality.

### To publish from the attendance resource:

1. Click the Attendance resource
2. Click **Term Summary** in the top-right of the page.
3. Click **Save & Publish**.

Once published you have the additional options

- Print All
- Download to CSV
- Save to a PDF.

**To publish from manage gradebooks:**

1. Click the Manage Gradebook from the Admin Tools page.

**Manage Gradebooks** [\[Permissions\]](#)

Show Gradebook in :  OR [\[Search Gradebooks\]](#)

Select Term:  Show in RED Gradebooks: Not Updated after:  Not Published after:

Selected Gradebooks to update:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Name	Last Updated	Last Published	When Closed?	When Locked?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4:Attendance	03/30/2016 08:30 AM	03/30/2016 08:30 AM <a href="#">[View&gt;&gt;]</a>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	4:Literature	03/14/2016 09:55 AM	08/26/2015 02:42 PM <a href="#">[View&gt;&gt;]</a>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	4:Mathematics	03/29/2016 11:27 AM	09/25/2015 11:29 AM <a href="#">[View&gt;&gt;]</a>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	4:Math Accelerated	09/22/2015 09:33 AM	09/22/2015 09:33 AM <a href="#">[View&gt;&gt;]</a>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	4:Social Studies	03/22/2016 04:13 PM	08/26/2015 02:42 PM <a href="#">[View&gt;&gt;]</a>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	4:Science	03/11/2016 07:43 AM	08/26/2015 02:42 PM <a href="#">[View&gt;&gt;]</a>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	4:Spanish	11/03/2015 07:06 AM	05/07/2015 11:05 PM <a href="#">[View&gt;&gt;]</a>		

You can get the required attendance by selecting the group(s) and Term or using the [\[Search Gradebooks\]](#) link.

2. Click [Search Gradebooks](#).

**Select Grade Resources** [\[Back to Operation Page\]](#) [\[Permissions\]](#)

Search:

Name:

All Groups  3  Drama Club  
 School  4  New Families 2015  
 Staff  5  
In Group:  p5  6  
 k  7  
 1  8  
 2  Chess Club

Include hidden resources

Resource List:  
List is empty, Please search and add resources to Resource List

3. Enter Attendance in the **Name** field.

4. Click on the specific grade levels or all groups.

5. Click **Search**.

The attendance books will display based on your above selections. If you would like to deselect any uncheck the box to the left of the attendance book name.

**Select Grade Resources** [\[Back to Operation Page\]](#) [\[Permissions\]](#)

Search: Name:

All Groups     3     Drama Club  
 School     4     New Families 2015  
 Staff     5     4 Math B  
 In Group:  PS     6     Parent Teacher Conferences  
 K     7     Forms  
 1     8     WebSite  
 2     Chess Club     Basketball 1

Include hidden resources

Search Results:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Resource Name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5:Attendance
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6:Attendance
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4:Attendance

Resource List:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Resource Name
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5:Attendance
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6:Attendance
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4:Attendance

6. Click **Add Selected Resources**.
7. Click **Back to Operation Page**.

**Manage Gradebooks** [\[Permissions\]](#)

Show Gradebook in:  OR [\[Search Gradebooks\]](#)

Select Term:  Show in RED Gradebooks:

Not Updated after:

Not Published after:

Selected Gradebooks to update:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Name	Last Updated	Last Published	When Closed?	When Locked?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	5:Attendance	Never	Never		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6:Attendance	Never	Never		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4:Attendance	03/30/2016 08:30 AM	03/30/2016 08:30 AM		<a href="#">[View&gt;&gt;]</a>

8. Click **Publish**.

## How to Add Classroom Attendance to a Subject Gradebook

Some schools, especially in the middle school grades, may take attendance in each subject class. SchoolSpeak administrators may work with the teachers to add the attendance functionality to a gradebook.

1. Select a gradebook under the Progress Report section in the left margin of the group page.
2. Click **Settings** in the top-right corner.
3. Click the Configure Gradebook link.
4. Scroll down the page until you see the attendance section.



**Gradebook:**

Teacher(s): **Included Members:** [Edit](#)  
No Teachers

Users who can view gradebook data, but not edit: **Included Members:** [Edit](#)  
No members

*This section can be edited by teachers.*

**Allow parents/students to email teacher from grade report page:**  Enable  Disable

**Use:**  SchoolSpeak  Desktop gradebook

**Gradebook:**  Enable  Disable

**GPA credit hours:**  (Set to 0 to exclude this subject from GPA calculation.)

**Core subject:**  Yes  No

**Compute grades on:**  Category Weight  Total Points Earned  Assignment Weight  Do Not Compute

**Who can override grade:**  Teachers  School Admins  SchoolSpeak Support  None

**^Set max points of all new assignments to:**

**Allow scores more than max assignment points (extra credit):**  Yes  No

**Limit extra credit to :** max of  % or  points

**Show comment in Edit All page:**  Yes  No

**Enable teacher notes column in assignment page:**  Enable  Disable

**Enable save/publish button:**  Save only  Publish only  Save and Publish

**Retain grade report snapshots every**  **days**

**Show grade report snapshots:**  Yes  No

**Round grade to:**  Nearest Whole Percent  Tenths of a Percent  Hundredths of a Percent

**Show only assignments with grades in the grade report :**  Yes  No

**Send email notification when new grade report is published:**  Once a day  Every time  Never

**Assignment label:**

**Retain assignments for next school year:**  Yes  No

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**Attendance:**  Enable  Disable Attendance section

**Attendance for**  Students  Every one in the view list

**All present button:**  Enable  Disable

**Second attendance code :**  Enable  Disable

**Show Attendance comment to parents and students :**  Yes  No

**Send email notification when attendance is added/updated:**  Yes  No

**Lunch order:**  Enable  Disable

**Lunch order resource:**

**Accept payment:**  Enable  Disable

**Show due amount:**  Enable  Disable

5. Select the **Enable** option next to **Attendance**.
6. Make any adjustments to secondary details (typical default settings are set).
  - a. Attendance for - By Default students, if taking for others click Every one in the view list
  - b. All present button - By default Enable

- c. Second attendance code - By Default enable, disable to have only one column
- d. Show attendance comment to parents and students - Default Yes, set to no to hide the comments on group home page
- e. Send email notification when attendance is added/updated - Default No

7. Click **Save**.

Teachers can record the attendance for this subject class attendance book for daily class attendance.

To access the Attendance portion of the gradebook, click **Attendance**.

Literature Grades *(Literature)* [ [Admin](#) ]

4-Literature ▼

[Attendance](#) | [Gradebook](#) | [Term Summary](#) | [Student Summary](#) | [Settings](#)

Published gradebook progress reports may include the class attendance status based on the progress report format settings.

Math

[List of Grade Reports](#)

Progress Report on 01/11/2015  
Bradford, Karen

[ [View Grade Report](#) ] [ [Print](#) ] [ [Email Teacher](#) ]

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Please review and sign

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**STUDENT PROGRESS REPORT**  
1/11/2015  
Trimester 2 : Math

Bradford, Karen Teacher: SchoolSpeak, Support

Summary	Points	Grade
Overall Grade		
- Category: Test	319 /360	89% B+
- Category: Homework	260 /300	87% B+
- Category: Classwork	49 /50	98% A+
- Category: Project	10 /10	100% A+

Grade Scale: A+ >= 97, A >= 93, A- >= 90, B+ >= 87, B >= 83, B- >= 80, C+ >= 77, C >= 73, C- >= 70, D+ >= 67, D >= 63, D- >= 60, F >= 0

Attendance	
Tardy	01/09/2015
Medical Absence	01/12/2015

**Trimester 3 Assignments**

#	Date	Category	Assignment	Points	Grade
1	07/28	Test	Test <i>*LCD need a little extra work</i>	20 /25	80% B-
2	07/29	Test	Homework <i>*Good Job!</i>	45 /50	90% A-
3	07/30	Test	Classwork	20 /25	80% B-
4	07/31	Test	Project <i>*Need to work on Fractions</i>	18 /25	72% C-

Please sign the grade report by clicking the sign button below.

**Important Attendance Notes:** Parents/guardians have access to grade and attendance status information for students that they have been associated with in their profile settings. This attendance status may be displayed, as well as any comments that the teacher or staff person has elected to add. The display of this information is optional and should be based on your school's policy. Please refer to the SchoolSpeak Admin guide for information regarding member associations.

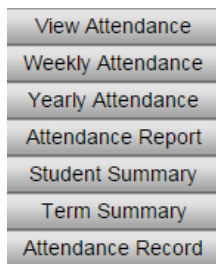
**Privacy Note:** Attendance status and the associated attendance comments may be considered private information. Members listed within the Attendance resource's Edit permission have the ability to view the data and make changes to the attendance book. SchoolSpeak highly recommends limiting this list to those individuals who actually need access to this information and do not recommend adding parents or students to this list. All persons listed as system administrators, attendance resource administrators or listed within the Edit permission have access the information contained within the attendance books.

## Additional Features in the Attendance Resource

### Reports

When taking attendance in SchoolSpeak, you have many report options. The attendance resource includes reports that are useful to teachers and administrators. Additionally, SchoolSpeak provides administrators with additional summary level reports that may provide information on multiple groups at one time.

Within the Attendance Report, The [Reports](#) link displays the following reports options:



**View Attendance:** Displays the attendance details of the current date for the selected group and selected term.

**Weekly Attendance:** Displays the weekly attendance details for the members in the view list.

**Yearly Attendance:** Displays the yearly attendance report details for members in the view list.

You may select 'All Students' from the 'Student' drop-down menu to view the attendance data of all the students in the class for the whole school year. You may also optionally print each student on a single piece of paper.



Grade 4 Grade 4-Attendance [Print](#) [Save to pdf](#) [\[Published Reports\]](#)[\[Attendance\]](#)[\[Reports\]](#) [\[Tools\]](#) [\[Attendance Report\]](#)[\[Settings\]](#)  
 [Admin]  
 Student All Students  
 Show Days Present  Show Attendance Code Definition  Print One Student Per Page

**Attendance Record For 2014-2015**  
 Year : 2014-2015 Name : David Smith Age: 13 Grade: 4

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	P	A	T			
Aug																																		5			
Sep				T																														20	1	1	
Oct							T				A																							17			
Nov																																			17		
Dec											A																							13	1		
Jan																																		17	1	1	
Feb											T	T																						19		3	
Mar				T	T																													18.5	0.5	3	
Apr							T				E			E	E	E																	11	4	1		
May											T		M/	T																			18.5	1.5	4		
Jun																																		1			
																															Total	161	9	14			

**Attendance Report:** Displays the Attendance Report within the Admin Tools. *Please refer to the admin tools section of this guide for more information.*

Attendance Report By Attendance Type [Permissions]

Reports

Select Groups: 4

Attendance Type

Absence  Excused  Dismissal  Disciplinary Action

Medical Absence  Tardy  Suspension  General

[Download](#)

[Report](#)

Change Date: Choose Da OR From Date 3/29/2016 To Date 3/29/2016

**Student Summary:** Displays attendance summary details of all the students for all the terms. You can print attendance one page per student for the CUM Folder.

Attendance [Admin]

<<Grade 4 Grade 4-Attendance [\[Published Reports\]](#) [\[Attendance\]](#) [\[Reports\]](#) [\[Settings\]](#)

[Print](#)

#	ID	Student	Absence/Tardy			
			T1	T2	T3	Total
1	806	Bradford, Karen	48/16	4/4	4/11.25	56/31.25
2	809	Brown, Jonathan	29.5/23.75	4/0.25	12/1	45.5/25
3	812	Chu, Jeff	44/14.25	3/4	6/4	53/22.25
4	836	Jones, Christy	14/12	0.5/1	5/0	19.5/13
5	824	Kendricks, Allison	20/24	3/2	2/2	25/28

[\[ Show student details \]](#)

Click the [\[Show student details link\]](#) to view the attendance details of all the students.

**Term Summary:** Displays the term summary details of the selected group for the selected term.

**Attendance Record:** Displays the attendance details all the students for the selected term period.



Clicking on **Report** displays the details on the same page as shown.

To change the group in the display, click **Select Group** drop-down

Click the **Expand All** link to view the report in detail.

Clicking on **Download** downloads the report.

**Homestead School**  
 1234 Demmond Rd, School City, AL 12120  
 Phone: 444-444-4444 Email: training@schoolspeak.com

**Attendance Report for 4 - 06/02/2015 - 3/29/2016**

**4th Grade [4] - Attendance**

**Absence (27)**

Brown, Calvin : 08/20/2015, 08/27/2015 *mom called*, 01/06/2016 8:20  
 Cook, Kristyl : 08/03/2015, 08/04/2015, 08/05/2015, 08/10/2015, 08/12/2015 *Doc note*,  
 08/13/2015 *doc note*, 08/17/2015 *doc note*, 09/01/2015 *doc note*, 09/28/2015  
*doc note*, 10/06/2015 *doc note*, 10/27/2015 *doc note*, 12/16/2015 *Doc note*,  
 12/30/2015 *called in sick*, 01/12/2016, 07/12/2015, 07/13/2015, 07/27/2015,  
 07/29/2015, 03/01/2016 *doc note*, 03/16/2016 *doc note*, 03/23/2016 *doc note*

Parker, Winnie : 09/29/2015 *doc note*, 11/04/2015  
 Selig, Edward : 06/02/2015

**Morning Absence (2)**

Brown, Calvin : 06/09/2015  
 Parker, Winnie : 06/03/2015

**Afternoon Absence (2)**

Brown, Calvin : 09/24/2015  
 Cook, Kristyl : 08/27/2015 *left at 1:00*

**Tardy (30)**

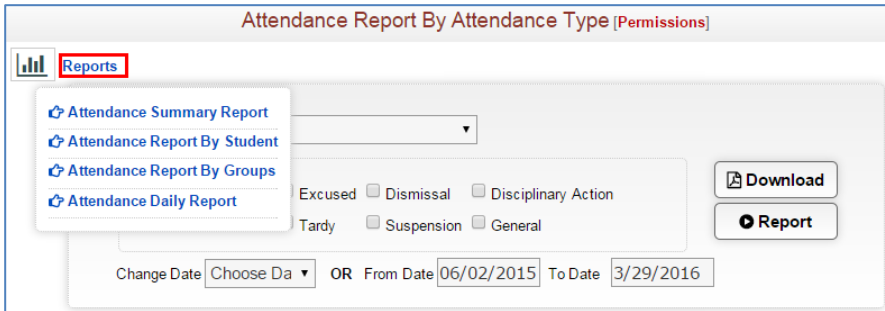
Brown, Calvin : 08/03/2015 8:50, 08/04/2015 10:00, 08/05/2015 9:05, 08/10/2015 10:02,  
 08/12/2015 9:05, 08/13/2015 10:00, 08/17/2015 9:10, 09/01/2015 9:05,  
 09/22/2015 9:05, 09/28/2015 9:05, 09/29/2015 9:10, 10/06/2015 9:05,  
 10/27/2015 9:05, 12/16/2015 9:05, 12/30/2015 8:30, 01/12/2016 9:05,  
 07/12/2015 9:05, 07/13/2015 9:05, 07/27/2015 9:05, 07/29/2015 9:05,  
 02/23/2016 9:20, 03/01/2016 9:05, 03/16/2016 9:05, 03/23/2016

Cook, Kristyl : 08/20/2015, 01/05/2016  
 Parker, Winnie : 08/27/2015 9:05  
 Quinn, Martin : 06/09/2015  
 Selig, Edward : 06/11/2015  
 Villegas, Sophia : 06/12/2015

03/29/2016

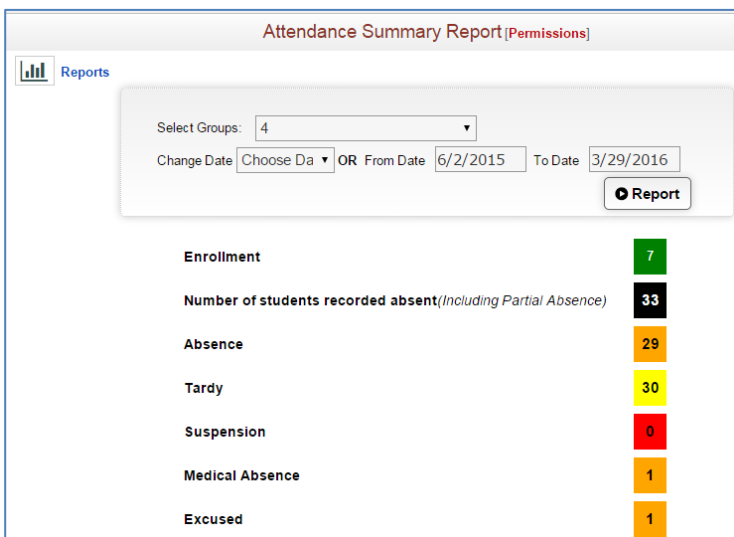
## To Access Other Attendance Tool

Click the **Reports** link to access various reports as shown in the picture.



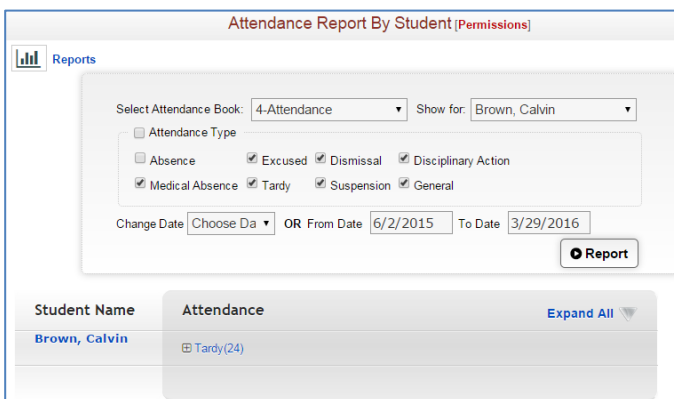
### Attendance Summary Report

Displays summary attendance data for the indicated groups.



### Attendance Report By Student

Displays information on a particular member and date range.





## Attendance Report By Group

Displays summary data at group level.

## Attendance Daily Report

Displays reports based on criteria indicated.

## Other Types of Attendance Reporting

SchoolSpeak administrators may use the attendance book for much more than just the morning attendance status. Consider adding an Attendance resource to clubs or sports activities to track. Attendance may also be tracked for parents and staff personnel.

## Attendance Setup

### Attendance Permissions

**View** -Indicates the members that will be listed in the attendance resource. By default, the students listed in the view are included. The parents that are included will be able to view their student’s attendance status

**Edit** - Indicates the members who are able to update the attendance resource - should be set to teacher(s) who need to make changes - may also be set to View all Attendance group

### How to Add an Attendance Resource to a Group

Administrators may add a new Attendance to any group. When adding the new resource Highlight grade posting.



Add Resource to  
Group.docx

For more information on how to add a new resource please refer

for details.

## Adding Students to the Attendance Book

SchoolSpeak will automatically add the students to the attendance book based on the group/people listed in the VIEW permission of the resource. The members with Member Type = “STUDENT” will populate the student list in the attendance book. The Members listed within the resource’s view permission will with Member Type “Parent” will have access to the students’ attendance status.

**Note:** In some situations, administrators may need to take ‘attendance’ for members that are not students, for example staff or other adults. By changing the resource’s parameters you may include other member types in the attendance list. Please refer to the settings section for more information.

## How to Enable Lunch Order in the Classroom Attendance

Some schools may enable lunch details to be displayed on the attendance page. SchoolSpeak administrators may work with the teachers to enable the attendance functionality in an attendance book.

1. Select the Attendance under the Progress Report section in the left margin of the group page.
2. Click **Settings** in the top-right corner.
3. Click the **Configure Gradebook** link.
4. Scroll down the page until you see the Lunch order section.

<b>Lunch order:</b>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Enable <input type="radio"/> Disable
<b>Lunch order resource:</b>	Please select ▼
<b>Accept payment:</b>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Enable <input type="radio"/> Disable
<b>Show due amount:</b>	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Enable <input type="radio"/> Disable
	<input type="button" value="Save"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/>

5. Select the **Enable** option next to **Lunch order**.
6. Make any adjustments to secondary details (typical default settings are set).
  - a. Lunch order resource: Select the lunch order resource from the drop-down.
  - b. Accept payment – Pay occurred for lunch orders
  - c. Show due amount - Select the lunch order resource from the drop-down
7. Click **Save**.

Teachers can record the attendance for this subject class attendance book for daily class attendance.

## Adding Lunch Details

Many of SchoolSpeak's schools use our lunch resource to facilitate their in-school lunch programs and billing. The attendance module can be linked to the lunch resource. When linked, teachers may:

- Take and record daily lunch orders
- Modify pre-existing lunch orders when a child is absent
- Access children's current lunch order

### To add the lunch order information to attendance book:

1. Click Attendance resource under the Progress Report section of your group.
2. Click the [Attendance](#) link on the top-right corner of the page.

The screenshot shows the 'Attendance [Admin]' page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Attendance' highlighted in red, along with 'Term Summary' and 'Student Summary'. Below this, there are tabs for 'ATTENDANCE DETAILS' (selected), 'Jan 20, 2015', and 'Change Date'. A 'GRADE REPORTS' dropdown is set to 'All'. A table below shows a row for '3' on '3/20/2014' with the description 'Progress Report on 03/20/2014' and 'Edit | Delete' links.

The attendance book will display.

The screenshot shows the 'Mathematics Grades (Mathematics) [Admin]' page. It includes a date selector for '01/07/2015' and a 'Today' button. The main content area displays attendance for '01/08/2015' by 'Brown, Larry'. A table lists student attendance records with columns for ID, Student, Ab/T, Att 1, Comment 1, Att 2, Comment 2, Payment, and Due. The table also includes columns for lunch details: HOT LUNCH, EXTRA ENTREE, EXTRA MILK, and BREAKFAST. The lunch details are expanded for the first row, showing 'HOT LUNCH: Pasta with Butter Breadstick Green Salad'. The table is divided into two sections for 'Trimester 2 (11/11/14 - 02/27/15)'.

#	ID	Student	Ab/T	Att 1	Comment 1	Att 2	Comment 2	Payment	Due	HOT LUNCH:	EXTRA ENTREE	EXTRA MILK	BREAKFAST
1	806	Bradford, Karen	1/0	M					\$9.15	Pasta with Butter Breadstick Green Salad			
2	809	Brown, Jonathan	0/1	T					\$22.00				
3	812	Chu, Jeff	0/0.25	PT					\$4.90				
4	824	Kendricks, Allison	1/0	A					\$16.75				
5	3079	Smith, David	0/1	T					\$19.50				
6	836	Taylor, Roger	1/0	A					\$4.50				

3. Enter the lunch detail as appropriate and click **Save**.

## Parent's View of Attendance Book

### Displaying Attendance Status to Parents and Guardians

By default, a student's attendance status is displayed instantly (*not including the student present status*) on the group Homepage where the attendance resource is located. If the school elects to publish the Attendance report as a progress report, then parents may also see the progress report.

The screenshot shows the Homestead School website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Home', 'Communities', 'Contact', 'Edit My Profile', 'Change Password', and 'Logout'. Below this is a header with the school name 'HOMESTEAD School' and a logo featuring a brown bread roll with a red ribbon and the number '1'. A dropdown menu is set to 'Please select'. The main content area is titled 'Grade 4 (4th Grade)' and contains several sections: 'Parent Teacher Conference Schedule', '4th Grade Announcements', and 'The Magician's Nephew'. A box highlights the 'Attendance' section, which lists two students: 'Brown, Calvin' with an absence on 04/01/2016, and 'Brown, Larry' with an absence on 04/01/2016. A sidebar on the left contains various navigation options like 'Members', 'Email', 'Text/SMS', 'View My Calendars', 'Quick Links', 'Homework', and 'Religion'.

**Note:** A parent/guardian's view is limited to the child(ren) that they are associated within the profile. A teacher may view the entire group's attendance.

## Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. Can I change the attendance from a different day?**  
**Answer:** To view the attendance from a different date, change the date in view at the top of the attendance resource.
- 2. The attendance administrator cannot see the attendance, how do I fix it?**  
**Answer:** Please add the attendance administrator's name to the EDIT permission of the attendance resource.
- 3. A student's name is not listed in the attendance resource?**  
**Answer:** Verify that the child is included within the group listed on the VIEW permission of the resource.
- 4. Can I change the attendance codes that are listed?**  
**Answer:** The attendance codes may be changed within the Settings section of the attendance resource. Please note some schools may be limited in the kinds of changes allowed to guideline that have been given to SchoolSpeak. Please contact SchoolSpeak Support for more information.

**5. How can I add a person to list of members who can use the attendance book?**

**Answer:** By default, SchoolSpeak will setup the account so that the homeroom teacher is able to take attendance. To add additional people:

1. Click the attendance book.
2. Click the resource Admin link.
3. Locate the Edit permission box and add the member/group that is needed.

**Note:** Take special care not to add a parent to the view.