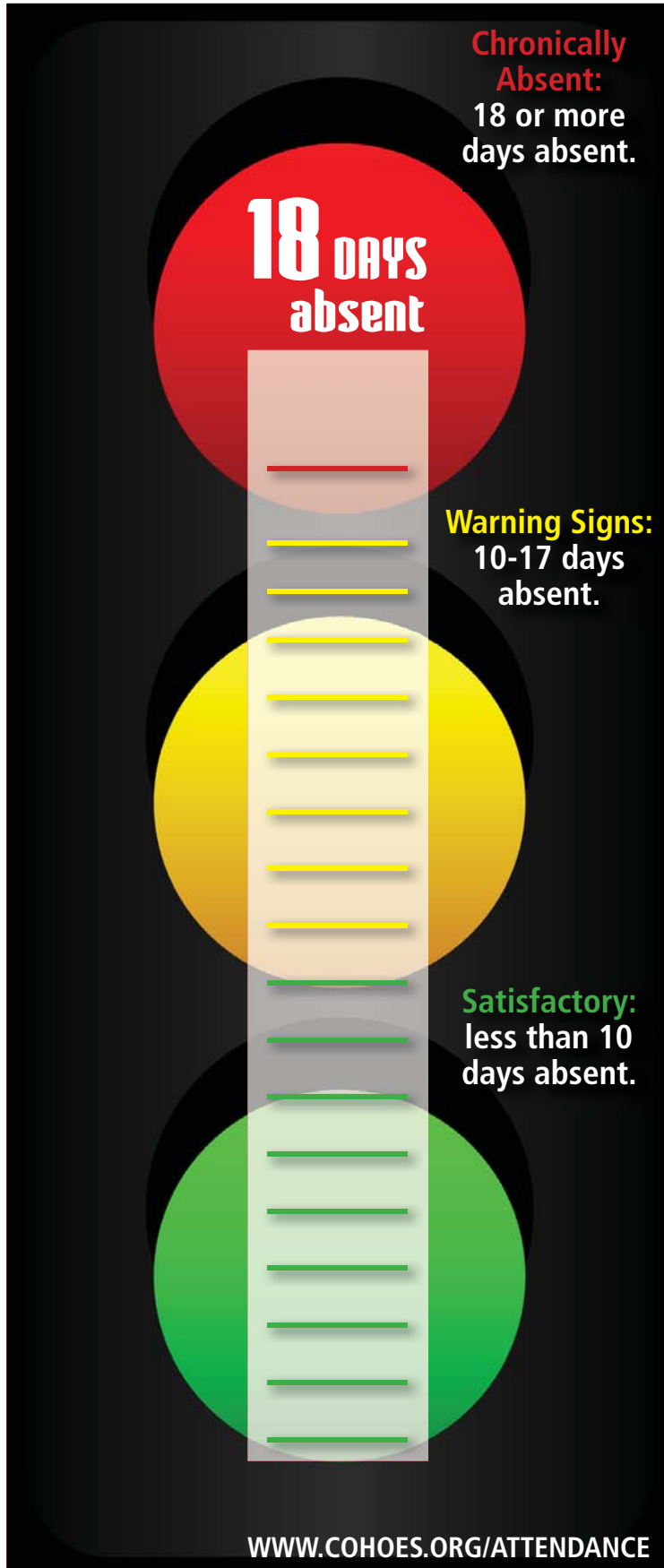


When does being absent from school become a problem?



Starting in kindergarten, too many absences can cause children to fall behind in school.

Missing 10 percent (or 18 days) can make it harder to learn to read.

Students can still fall behind if they miss just a day or two every few weeks.

Being late to school may lead to poor attendance.

Absences can affect the whole classroom if the teacher has to slow down learning to help children catch up.

Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves.

Start building this habit early on so students learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important.

Attendance facts from attendanceworks.org.

Keep track at home!

Every time your child misses school, even if it's for a doctor's appointment or s/he is sick, write the date on the line starting at the bottom (in green).

By keeping track of the days, you will be able to see when your child is starting to miss too much school and becomes at-risk of falling behind.

