

Edia AI Attendance — Dunkirk City School District's Two-Way Texting System Cuts Chronic Absenteeism Nearly in Half

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Quality score: 13/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Dunkirk City School District, New York (~2,000 students), rolled out AI company Edia's attendance module district-wide in the 2025–26 school year. Automated two-way texts to families of absent students accompanied a fall in chronic absenteeism from about 38% to roughly 20–22% with

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of learning impact	1/3
Equity & inclusion	0/3
Transparency, ethics & data protection	0/3
Teacher capability & pedagogy	0/3
Scalability & sustainability	1/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

[Dunkirk City School District](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

[Spectrum News](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

[Observer Today](#) — accessed 2026-08-09

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