

What is School Refusal Behavior?

Common Symptoms

- Anxiety
- Depression
- Withdrawal
- Fatigue
- Crying
- Physical complaints such as stomachaches and headaches

- A child-motivated refusal to attend school and/or difficulty remaining in classes for an entire day

- Can include youth with many absences from school or who :
 - Skip class during the day
 - Are always late
 - Show misbehavior in the morning in an attempt to miss school
 - Attended school with great dread and distress

Some Reasons Why Youth Avoid School

- To avoid upsetting school-related situations
- To escape social situations
- To gain attention from friends or family members
- To engage in activities outside of school

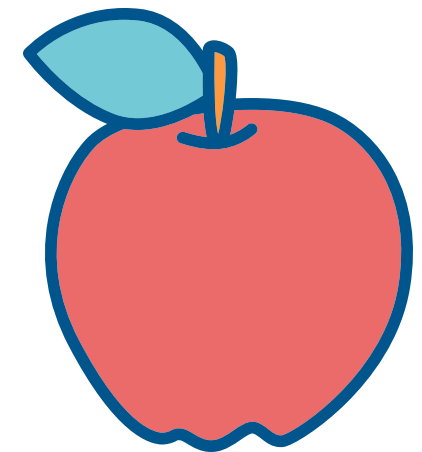
More Disruptive Symptoms

- Tantrums
- Noncompliance
- Arguing
- Refusal to move
- Running away from school or home
- Aggression
- Youth typically show a variety of constantly changing symptoms

- It is one of the most common childhood behavior problems

- Can lead to many short and long-term consequences if left unaddressed, including:

- Academic problems, including school dropout and delinquency
- Family conflict and stress
- Social isolation
- Occupational problems



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