#### attachedSchema (Attached Custom [XML](XML.docx) Schema)

This element specifies that the custom [XML](XML.docx) schema whose target namespace matches the value specified in the val attribute should be associated with this document when it is loaded, if such a schema is available to the hosting application. Applications may also load and utilize any additional schemas as well as those explicitly mentioned here. [Note: These custom [XML](XML.docx) schemas may then be used to validate the structure of the custom [XML](XML.docx) markup in the document, etc. end note]

If no elements of this [type](type.docx) are present, then no custom [XML](XML.docx) schemas have been explicitly associated with the contents of this document.

[Example: Consider the following WordprocessingML fragment from the document settings:

<w:attachedSchema w:val="http://www.example.com/schema1" />

<w:attachedSchema w:val="http://www.example.com/schema2" />

The attachedSchema elements specify that two custom [XML](XML.docx) schemas with namespaces of http://www.example.com/schema1 and http://www.example.com/schema2 should be associated with the custom [XML](XML.docx) markup in the current document. end example]

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| Parent Elements |
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| Attributes | Description |
| val (String Value) | Specifies that its contents will contain a string.  The contents of this string are interpreted based on the context of the parent [XML](XML.docx) element.  [Example: Consider the following WordprocessingML fragment:  <w:[pPr](pPr.docx)>  <w:[pStyle](pStyle.docx) w:val="heading1" />  </w:[pPr](pPr.docx)>  The value of the val attribute is the ID of the associated paragraph style's styleId.  However, consider the following fragment:  <w:[sdtPr](sdtPr.docx)>  <w:[alias](alias.docx) w:val="SDT Title Example" />  ...  </w:[sdtPr](sdtPr.docx)>  In this case, the decimal number in the val attribute is the [caption](caption.docx) of the parent structured document tag. In each case, the value is interpreted in the context of the parent element. end example]  The possible values for this attribute are defined by the [ST\_String](ST_String.docx) simple [type](type.docx) (§). |

The following [XML](XML.docx) Schema fragment defines the contents of this element:

<complexType [name](name.docx)="CT\_String">

<attribute [name](name.docx)="val" [type](type.docx)="[ST\_String](ST_String.docx)" use="required"/>

</complexType>