



Parent Checklist

**WHEN FAMILIES AND SCHOOLS WORK TOGETHER, THE RESULT IS
ACADEMIC SUCCESS FOR OUR CHILDREN
AND NO CHILD IS LEFT BEHIND.**



Parental involvement plays a very important part in a child's education. As a parent, you are a major influence on your child's success in school. Your actions stress the importance of learning and set a positive example for your child.

**The following checklist provides information on parental behaviors that promote student achievement.
Please review this checklist and use it to identify areas that can be strengthened.**

- ___ 1. I talk to my child regularly about school and the importance of doing one's best.
- ___ 2. I help and encourage my child to be successful in school.
- ___ 3. I help my child set goals to help him or her be successful in school and in life.
- ___ 4. I make sure that my child:
- attends school every day.
 - arrives on time for school.
 - gets adequate rest and nourishment to perform at his/her full potential.
 - is dressed appropriately.
- ___ 5. I praise my child for both effort and achievement.
- ___ 6. I encourage reading by:
- keeping a supply of reading material (books, magazines, newspapers) in my home.
 - regularly reading in front of my child.
 - encouraging my child to read.
 - regularly listening to my child read and providing help as needed. *
- ___ 7. I provide time and place for my child to study every day.
- ___ 8. I see to it that noise levels are kept down during homework time.
- ___ 9. I regularly help my child with homework. *
- ___ 10. I keep an eye on my child's progress and keep informed about what my child is learning in school.
- ___ 11. If my child watches television, I help select the shows, then discuss/evaluate the shows.
- ___ 12. I respond promptly to communication from the school.
- ___ 13. I have a general understanding of what my child is expected to learn for the school year.
- ___ 14. I talk with my child about the progress he/she is making in each class or subject throughout the year.
- ___ 15. I make every effort to be involved in my child's education and school by:
- regularly attending school activities.
 - meeting and talking with my child's teacher.
 - attending parent workshops at school that may help me help my child.
 - joining the PTA, SEPTA, or School Advisory Committee.
- ___ 16. I have signed and support the school's code of conduct and have high expectations for my child's behavior.
- ___ 17. I model good citizenship and respectfulness by:
- being a good neighbor.
 - showing respect for family members and community.
 - encouraging my child to get along with others.
 - providing opportunities for my child to participate in volunteer activities.

* I feel I cannot help my child in these areas, I will seek help from the school.

Thank you for taking the time to use this checklist as a self-assessment.