

PARENT INVOLVEMENT

Participating in your child's education at home, at school, and in the community

7 SMART THINGS Active Parents Do to Help Their Child Succeed in School

#1 Show up and show support.

"50% of success is just showing up."

"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

Hebrews 10:25

#2 Get to know your child's teachers and encourage them.

Everyone needs encouragement... even school teachers and Christian educators!

#3 Make learning a family priority.

It's not just school that's important. Learning itself is important.

"Intelligent people are always ready to learn. Their ears are open for knowledge."

Proverbs 18:15, NLT

#4 Structure homework time.

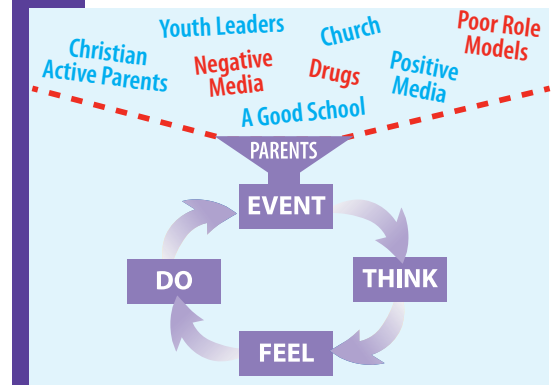
- Help your child create a regular work area.
- Agree on a regular study time.
- Develop a homework "to-do" list.
- Make sure the house is quiet and that everybody is learning.

#5 Read and talk with your child.

Go beyond reading aloud to your child:

- Review what you read last time.
- Ask questions that will encourage thinking and build vocabulary.
- Discuss what might happen next.
- Make encouraging comments.

#6 Filter IN the positive and OUT the negative.



#7 Support the school's discipline plan.

Tips for an effective **Family Talk**:

- Begin with prayer.
- Plan your intro and key points.
- Ask open-ended questions.
- Avoid communication blocks.
- Share your values persuasively.
- Find support materials.