

Parenting Pointers

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For Elementary School Students



HOW CAN I TELL IF MY CHILD IS OLD ENOUGH TO HAVE A CELL PHONE?

You are the only one who can decide whether your daughter is old enough to handle a phone. If she is generally responsible about her belongings, she is likely to be able to keep track of a phone. Read More

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO CONNECT WITH YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL!

In today's busy world, the idea of getting involved can be overwhelming. "What do I have to do?" you may wonder. "I'm already short on time!" Read More

ARE YOU HELPING YOUR CHILD BE A CONFIDENT READER?

Are you doing all you can to boost your child's reading confidence? Answer yes or no to each question below to find out: Read More

USE HOMEWORK TO TEACH YOUR CHILD HOW TO BE CONSCIENTIOUS

Here's how to help your child strengthen conscientiousness with homework: Read More

For Middle School Students



ARE YOU STILL EMPHASIZING ATTENDANCE?

Answer yes or no to these questions to see if you are doing all you can to promote regular, on-time school attendance: Read More

TUTORING MIGHT BE THE ANSWER TO ONGOING ACADEMIC STRUGGLES

If your child struggles in one or more of her classes, she may need some one-on-one learning support outside of school. Getting a tutor could be the answer to your middle schooler's academic problems—especially if: Read More

THREE SKILLS HELP STUDENTS PREPARE FOR COLLEGE & CAREER

Your middle schooler may not know what he wants to do after he graduates from high school. That's years away! However, there are some skills he can start building now that will help him be successful—whatever his future plans may be. They include: Read More

SET REASONABLE EXPECTATIONS FOR YOUR CHILD

To determine whether you're setting the bar at the right level for your child, ask yourself if your expectations:

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For High School Students



NINTH-GRADE PERFORMANCE MAY PREDICT SUCCESS IN LATER GRADES

Researchers in Chicago looked at the grades of more than 180,000 ninth graders. They found that freshman-year grades were strongly related to how well students did in high school and college.

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CONSISTENCY LEADS TO FEWER ARGUMENTS

Your teen missed his curfew. You're too tired to argue about it, so you let it slide. Parents often think they are avoiding an argument by simply ignoring a situation. Read More

SHOW INTEREST IN WHAT YOUR TEEN IS LEARNING AT SCHOOL

Grades are important, but so is the learning process. Make sure you show interest in what your teen is learning—not just what her report card says.

Ask your teen about: Read More

ONLINE AND IN-PERSON FRIENDS CAN PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR TEENS

While teens may feel that being popular and having lots of friends is important, research shows that teens who have a few close friends do better over time. By age 25, they have a stronger sense of self-worth and are less likely to be depressed. Read More



"There are only two lasting bequests we can hope to give our children.
One of these is roots, the other, wings."
-Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

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