

When schools work together with families to support learning, children are inclined to succeed not just in school, but throughout life. The Florida Department of Education recognizes that a child's education is a responsibility shared by schools, families and the community during the entire period a child spends in school.

The following are several suggestions of the many ways families may be involved with their child's education:

- Contact your child's teacher early in the school year and maintain communication throughout the school year.
- Participate in parent/teacher conferences.
- Ask the teacher what your child is learning and how you can support this at home.
- Talk with your child daily about homework, classroom activities and events.
- Learn about school policies and expectations so you can help your child understand them.
- Make efforts to stay informed of school and classroom events.
- Model behaviors and attitudes you expect from your child.
- Encourage and nurture your child's creativity.
- Be proactive in making the school aware of your support for your child's education.
- Talk with your employer about flex time so you can participate in school activities.
- Establish a daily family routine.
- Monitor out of school activities.
- Model the value of learning, self-discipline and hard work.
- Express high, but realistic expectations for achievement.
- Encourage your child's development/progress in school.
- Encourage reading, writing and discussions among family members.
- Be positive when talking with your child about school related activities.

## Helpful Links

- [Parental Involvement Video](#)
- [Family and School Partnership for Student Achievement Act](#)
- [Florida KidCare](#)
- [Florida's Multi-Tiered System of Supports](#)
- [National Network of Partnership Schools](#)
- [School Choice](#)
- [School Choice Resources](#)
- [The Florida Parent Involvement Resource Center of Family Network on Disabilities](#)
- [University of Illinois Extension: Parental Involvement in School](#)

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