

HELPING YOUR CHILD WITH STUDY SKILLS

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TIPS FOR ORGANIZATION AND HOMEWORK

- Require that your child uses the agenda for writing down all assignments on a daily basis. Follow up by calling the homework hotline to double check assignments.
- Have your child show you completed assignments.
- Assist your child in cleaning out and organizing notebooks once a week. Encourage locker cleanouts every week or two.
- Have your child gather all materials the night before for the next school day.
- As needed, double check to make sure that your child is bringing home all materials.
- Discuss Assignments.

WEBSITES WITH MORE INFORMATION

<http://www.chci.org/chciyouth/resources/parenttips.htm>

http://sitemaker.umich.edu/356.benjamin/helpful_hints_for_motivating_your_child

<http://www.nea.org/parents/nearesources-parents.html>

<http://www.kidsource.com/kidsource/content/homework.html>

<http://www.ed.gov/parents/academic/help/homework/index.html>

HOMEWORK HOTLINE NUMBERS:

Dial 252-3400 after 4:05 p.m. or before 7:00 a.m.

When the automated teller answers, enter the following 4-digit number that applies to the student's team:

K Team: 6321 G Team: 6324 S Team: 6327
N Team: 6322 H Team: 6325
I Team: 6323 T Team: 6326
Golden (Unified Arts): 6328

- Have your child create practice questions and/or flashcards to review information.
- Quiz your child to help review for tests and quizzes.
- Encourage your child to spend at least a little time each night reviewing what was learned in class that day.



PROMOTING GOOD STUDY HABITS

- ✓ Schedule a regular time for homework and breaks each night (consider the best time for your child to complete homework - Ex. after school, play time, or dinner).
- ✓ Make sure to emphasize that homework is a priority.
- ✓ Help your child choose an appropriate place to study. One that is:
 - Free of distractions
 - Supplied with materials
 - Well lit
 - Comfortable (sitting straight in a chair with a table or desk for writing)

INCREASING MOTIVATION

- Discuss future goals (short term and long term) with your child.
- Talk about school each day and ask **specific** questions about what took place.
- Give your undivided attention and **really** listen.
- Give your child praise for good work and be specific about what it is that you liked.
- Possibly offer some sort of reward when improvements are made or goals are met.