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Columbus, Ohio 43219
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***Additional Sites TBA**



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**Support
Learning
At
Home**

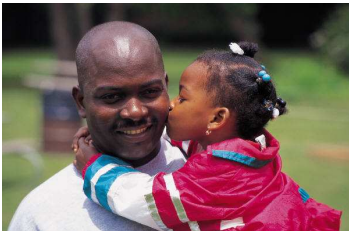


Help Your Child Succeed In School

Support your child as a student at home and in the community. Let your child know that you value learning.

Make Learning a Family Priority

- Provide a quiet atmosphere for homework. Schedule a daily “homework time”. Make sure the TV is turned off.
- Let your child find the solutions for problems, if at all possible. Give guidance, not answers.
- Reward hard work on homework with a special treat or special dinner.
- Ask your child questions as you read together: Can you tell me what happened in your own words? Why did the character do that? What will happen next?
- If your child is having difficulty, don’t wait to ask the teacher for extra help or to find a tutor. Do it before the child falls far behind.
- Attend classes that interest you and let your child know you value learning.
- Read every day, with your child, by yourself, or as a family activity.



Create a Home Environment that Supports Learning

- Be very selective about television watching and video game playing. Pay attention to the programs and games along with the total time your child spends with each.
- Send your child to school on time and well rested.
- Encourage your child to talk about feelings, accomplishments, and problems. Listen actively, reflecting back what your child tells you.
- Read books or compare notes with other parents to understand the abilities and behavior of a child the age of yours.
- Challenge your child to do well at school. Make your expectations high but reasonable.
- Let mistakes be OK as long as the child learns from the experience.
- Model honesty, and teach your child right from wrong at an early age.
- Visit the library, museums and educational and cultural events. Find ways to involve your child in music, sports, a new language or other activity.
- Talk directly to your child about your values, expectations, and about drugs, alcohol and tobacco.