



REACH FURTHER.

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

HELPFUL TIPS FOR PARENTS

Relative to the list below please share with your child's teacher any information that may affect your child's success in the classroom. Information is confidential and will be used to assist your student's progress.

- Health problems
- Family problems/relationships
- Cooperation
- Hobbies and interests
- Responsibilities
- Attitude towards school
- Emotional problems
- After School Activities
- Friendships
- Successes and failures

At the conclusion of the conference the teacher should have shared with you the following information about your child.

- Abilities
- Attitudes towards school and other children
- Successes and failures
- Samples of work
- Grouping in classes
- Activities
- Work habits
- Citizenship traits
- Tests and records
- Recommendations

Good communication between the parent and teacher is essential. The Parent-Teacher Conference is the perfect place to start.

Before each conference MAKE A PLAN!

- Make a list of things you want to tell the teacher about your child so that the teacher can better understand the child.

- Make a list of what to ask the teacher about your child. Any complaints? Ask your child what he would like you to discuss with the teacher. Homework? Tests? Attitude?
- If only one parent can attend the conference, ask for your spouse's ideas and suggestions before you meet with the teacher. Make a list for easy reference.
- Don't bring the child with you unless requested. Also, don't bring brothers or sisters. Please make arrangements for a babysitter.
- Be on time. Write down the time and place of conference so you won't forget.

Toward the end of the conference REVIEW WITH THE TEACHER ACTION POINTS THAT WILL HELP YOUR CHILD!

- Remedial work
- Study habits
- Revised goals
- Better understanding
- Outside reading
- Credit for strengths
- Outside help in weaknesses
- Discuss what the parent-teacher responsibilities are

AFTER THE CONFERENCE

- If your spouse did not attend the conference, tell him or her what was discussed and review your notes and results.
- Discuss the conference with your child. Be sure to stress the positive strong points brought out by the teacher. Discuss the suggestions for improvements and new goals.

PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES. YOUR CHILD WILL BENEFIT FROM YOUR INTEREST AND INTERACTION WITH HIS TEACHER.