



Study Strategies That will Help your Child Be a Success



1. What Parents can do to help:

- Set up a homework schedule
- Help your child rank or order assignments (most important/hardest first/etc)
- Many children benefit from immediate gratification
- Never let homework drag on all night (e-mail the teacher to let us know)
- Try not to sit next to your child while he or she does homework
- Avoid finishing your child's assignments
- Replenish supplies as needed
- Check binder regularly and be sure all papers are in the correct section

2. Encourage your child to recognize that studying is a homework assignment by asking them to do the following:

- Determine what will be on the test
- Look at the study guide
- Organize your notes
- Review similar assessments already taken
- Create a study plan to follow each day (your child will need support with this)
 - Chunk out the studying
 - Study a small part each night
 - Review what you know before moving on
 - Do not keep studying what you already know
 - Check in with your teacher to see if you are on track

3. Encourage your child to use many different strategies when studying:

- utilize flashcards
- outlines
- webs or maps (for map tests- duplicate the map and write on it)
- whiteboard with dry erase markers
- tape recorders
- teacher color pens for what teacher says
- use mnemonic devices
- create a practice test or game
- teach the subject to a friend/parent/or stuffed animal
- act out key concepts

Flashcard Advice –for vocabulary, learn the word to the definition and the definition to the word.

Creating a Practice Test Advice-make a test for yourself and take it. Make a test for a parent and have the parent take the test while you grade. Re-teach your parents if they get a wrong answer, explain why their answer was correct (parents need to play dumb here). If you can do this without looking at your notes- then you know the material! This is the best way to study!