



Parent Toolkit

The Central Square School District strives to educate every student well. We believe that the best way to do that is for schools to partner with parents and the community to help educate children.

Parents are a critical factor in children's educational success because they are a child's first and best teachers. Research has shown that children whose parents are involved in their education perform at higher levels than those whose parents are not involved.

Tips for Helping Elementary Students Learn at Home as Well as in School

- Read to and with your child, and have your child read to you
 - Encourage your child to keep a journal of daily events
 - Keep books available to your child, and make regular trips to the public library
 - When you shop for groceries, have your child help you find items and then estimate the cost of the purchase
 - Discuss different kinds of jobs and careers in your community to help your child understand that school prepares them for a career
 - Visit museums, zoos and art exhibits with your child
 - Help your child identify and set fitness goals. Make walking, hiking or biking a family activity
 - Talk to your child about the importance of education
 - Meet with your child's teachers regularly to monitor progress
 - Compliment your child's work and success in school
 - Make sure your child does each day's homework assignment. Set aside a quiet place for homework and set a regular time each day for it
 - Listen to music together, and have art materials (crayons, paint, brushes, pencils, paper) available at home
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