

Tips: Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher interviews are opportunities for parents and teachers to talk together about how they can help each child succeed in school.

1. PREPARE

Read your child's report card. Make notes about your questions and concerns. Talk to your child about the report. What do you want to ask the teacher? Make a list.

2. ASK QUESTIONS

Arrive on time for the interview. The teacher may review the child's report card or show you samples of work. Ask your questions:

1. What does my child do well?
2. What skills does she or he still need to develop?
3. Is my child getting extra help? In what subjects?
4. What is your homework policy? How much time should my child be spending on homework?
5. How does my child get along with the other students?
6. How can I help my child at home?
7. What is the best way to contact you if I have more questions?

Take notes so that you can share the comments with your child.

3. FOLLOW UP

Talk to your child. Stress the positive things the teacher said. Talk about how you and the teacher are going to help with the things that need to be improved.