Sample Parent Homework Help Tips

Make Sure That Your Child Has These

- A quiet place to work with good light
- A **regular time** each day for doing homework
- Basic supplies, such as paper, pencils, pens, markers, and ruler
- Aids to good organization, such as an assignment calendar, book bag, and folders

Questions to Ask Your Child

- What's your assignment today?
 - > Is the assignment clear?
 - > If not, have you emailed the teacher or called a classmate?
- When is it due?
- Do you need special resources?
 - > (For example) Do you need a trip to the library or access to a computer?
- Do you need special supplies?
 - > (For example) Do you need graph paper or poster board?
- Have you started today's assignment? Finished it?
- Is it a long-term assignment?
 - > (For example) Is it a term paper or science project?
- For a major project, would it help to write out the steps or make a schedule?
- Would a practice test be useful?

Other Ways to Help

- Look over your child's homework, but don't do the work!
- Meet teachers early in the year and find out about homework policies.
- Congratulate your child on a job well done!

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