

Questions to ask the teacher



1. What can I do to support my child's learning at home?
2. What could my child do that he or she is not already doing?
3. Is my child taking classes to get him/her ready for future goals?
4. What are my child's academic strengths? What are areas that need improvement?
5. What is my child's current achievement level?
6. How does my child relate to peers and adults?
7. Does my child stay on task well or need frequent reminders? Has my child developed good work habits?
8. What kind of tests and feedback will you be giving?
9. How can I help at school?
10. Is there any information you need from me to help you better understand my child?
11. What tutoring or other help is available to my child should he/she need it?
12. How does my child behave at school?
13. Are there any college/career suggestions and support available?



Questions to ask your child



Typical questions asked: "How was school today?", "What did you do?", "Do you have any homework?"

Deepen the conversation by asking:

- Questions that are pure curiosity: "Tell me more. What did you do? Who did you play with? "
- Questions that introduce a new perspective: "If I had been a new student in the class, what would I have seen?"
- Difference questions about your child's experiences: "How was today's math class different from yesterday's? What made today's better/worse?"
- Questions that prompt your child to talk about his or her success: "What did you do that you were proud of or that you want to remember?"
- Questions that address your child's thoughts & feelings: "How did you feel after the test? Do you think you could have done better? Do you think you are prepared for tomorrow's classes?"