

GETTING OFF TO A GOOD START

It is important that you help your child get off to a good start this school year. Here are six ways that might help you get started.

1. Get to know your child's teacher as soon as possible. You know your child best. Share your knowledge with the teacher. Does your child have a special interest? Are there areas where you see your child needing special help? Don't wait until parent conference time to make that all important contact.
2. Don't hesitate to speak with the counselor about sensitive issues. Remember that what goes on at home can affect the student's performance in the classroom. Indeed, parental separation, a new baby, family illness or death, or even a change of residence, can have a harmful effect on a student's schoolwork.
3. Please make certain your child gets enough rest. Tired children cannot do their best work. Consistency is the key here: Set a bedtime hour, and stick to it.
4. Be familiar with what the school expects of your child, e.g., how much homework will there be? Do you know the homework hotline number? Do you have access to the parent portal to monitor your child's grades? If not, call 381-3288 ext. 1006 for further information.
5. Limit television and monitor your child's computer usage.
6. Please don't hesitate to telephone us at the Counseling office if you have any questions or concerns. We are here to ensure your child has the most successful school year ever!

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