

HOMEWORK TIPS for PARENTS

Miami-Dade County Public Schools

Communicate With Teachers

- Meet your child's teachers.
- ☐ Discuss homework policies and how you should be involved.
- ☐ If your child has frequent issues regarding homework (too much time to complete, not challenging enough, etc.) talk about them with your child's teacher.



Set Up a Homework-friendly Area

- ☐ Set up a well-lit area for doing homework.
- ☐ Have supplies (paper, pencils, etc.) and computer available, if applicable.
- ☐ If using mobile device, ensure it is charged and ready to use.

Keep Distractions to a Minimum

During homework/study time avoid the following:

- □ TV
- Loud music
- Phone calls
- □ Texting

Schedule a Regular Homework/ Study Time

- ☐ Determine what works best in your home and set up a routine.
- ☐ Some students work best in the afternoon, following a snack and play period; others may do better after dinner.

Help Them Make a Plan

- □ When students have a project or more homework than usual, encourage your child to divide the work into manageable parts.
- ☐ Help them make a schedule that includes breaks.



Be a Motivator and Monitor

- ☐ Show an interest in what your child is learning in school by asking about the day's classroom lessons and assignments.
- ☐ For homework, help with directions and answer questions but allow your child to work as independently as possible, as children learn when they think for themselves.
- ☐ Check the completed homework and praise your child's efforts.