



## Ten ways to participate in your children's education

1. Build your children's self-esteem. Listen to what they have to say and praise them for the things they do well.
2. Encourage your children to talk about their feelings, accomplishments, and problems.
3. Be a positive role model for your children. Teach them right from wrong at an early age.
4. Tell your children it's all right to make mistakes, as long as they learn from them.
5. Allow your children to see you read daily newspapers, books, etc. Read stories aloud and tell them about your culture and heritage.
6. Show an interest in your children's school activities by helping them with their homework and getting to know their teachers.
7. Take your children to museums, the local library, and other free educational and cultural events whenever possible.
8. Ask that report cards and other school documents be made available in both English and Spanish.
9. Ask the school to provide a translator for meetings and whether English as a second language (ESL) classes are available.
10. Join the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) or volunteer at your children's school