

# A Checklist for Helping Your Child With Homework



## **Make sure you child has:**

- 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 a ruler.
- Aids to good organization, such as an assignment calendar, book bag, and folders.

## **Questions to ask your child**

- What is your assignment today?
- Is the assignment clear? (If not, suggest calling a classmate.)
- When is it due?
- Do you need special resources (e.g. a trip to the library or access to a computer)?
- Do you need special supplies (e.g., graph paper or poster board)?
- Have you started today's assignment? Finished it?
- Is it a long-term assignment (e.g., a term paper or science project)?
- For a major project, would it help to write out the steps or make a schedule?

## **Other ways to help**

- Look over your child's homework but don't do the work!
- Meet with the teachers early in the year and find out about homework policy.
- Review teacher comments on homework that has been returned and discuss with your child.

■Contact the teacher if there's a homework problem or need you cannot resolve.

■Congratulate your child on a job well done!

