Parents and Children: Learning is Fun

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Welcome

• The greatest gift I can ever give another, is my expectation of their success.”

Abraham-Hicks
Parents and Children Learning Together is Fun

Why do you want to help your child learn?

- Your child does better in school
- You are the model for your child
- Your child does what you do much more than what you say to do
- Your child is more successful when you help at home
BUILDING BLOCKS

• We build learning skills at every age
The Base of the Building
Block Tower

- Parents  - Teachers
Next Levels

Kindergarten through second grade

Sixth through eighth

Third through fifth

High School and College
At Each Level

• There are certain subjects or a curriculum that is taught at each grade level. These are the Building Blocks for teachers to teach. They are called Core Standards.

• In schools teachers are responsible for making sure we teach those skills.
Using the Learning Tools We Have for Language And Literacy

• Why practice Language?
  (listening and speaking)
  - What activities will promote listening
  - What activities will promote speaking?
Listening and Speaking

• You can
  - Read a book with your child
  - Watch TV
  - See a movie
  - Hear/tell a story
  - Say new words
Let’s see how this Works

- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w3skJRRn82U
Using the Learning Tools We Have for Language And Literacy

• Why Literacy? (reading and writing)
  - What activities will promote reading?
  - What activities will promote writing?

This is true at every grade level
Activities for:

• Reading
  - Read words around the room
  - Read words at meals
  - Read words everywhere
  - Read a story
  - Read a book
  - Read text books

• Writing
  - Write your name
  - Write a word
  - Write a sentence
  - Write a story
  - Write a report
  - Write in a journal
  - Write a research paper
  - Write a book
Let's Practice

• Reading
  - Read a book with your child

• Writing
  - Write a story with your child
What Will You do Today

• We have practiced reading and writing with your child today
• Now I want to know—what will you do today with your child?
• When you go home today, what will you do with your child?
How Can You Help Your Child (and your child’s teacher?)

• Know what your child is learning this year
• Do activities at home to help with learning
• Be supportive and positive with each new learning
• Ask questions???
How do You Work with Your Older Children?

- Work with the teachers
- Get ready for jobs/college
- Continue to be involved with learning
- Ask questions
  - Not: how was school or do you have homework
  - Ask them to share what they are learning
Have Fun

• The most important thing you and your child can do to help with learning is To Enjoy Learning Together!

Thank you for learning with your child.
Thank You for Today

• Dr. Joni Samples’ newest book: The Parent Connection

• Parent workshops and coaching are available through www.familyfriendlyschools.com

• Check out the Parent Playbooks at www.familyfriendlyschools.com