

How Caregivers Can Support Academic Success

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KEEP SCHOOL SETTING STABLE: Maintain consistent school attendance. Avoid tardiness and absences. Make sure to notify the school if placement changes occur.

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COMMUNICATE REGULARLY: Check in with teachers, counselors, and support staff at least once a month.

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INQUIRE ABOUT ACADEMIC PROGRESS: Request updates on grades, behavior, and missing assignments.

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SUPPORT EMOTIONAL NEEDS: Ask if your child has access to school counseling or social-emotional support such as one-on-one check in with approved or favored staff.

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UNDERSTAND SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES: If your child has an IEP or 504 plan, ask for a copy and attend meetings.

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ADVOCATE WHEN NEEDED: If any concerns come up request a meeting with the school team to discuss solutions.

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CREATE A HOMEWORK PLAN: Set a consistent time and quiet space for your child to do homework. Make sure there are no distractions and it stays quiet so they can stay focused.

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ENCOURAGE POSITIVE BEHAVIOR: Praise effort, improvement, and school attendance. Be a positive role model for your child.

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PLAN (14+): Discuss career interests, job training, and post high school options with the student and guidance counselor.

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STAY CONNECTED WITH DCF/CASE WORKER:

Share any school updates and ask for help if challenges occur.

