TIPS TO INVOLVE PARENTS IN CHILDREN’S EDUCATION

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It is a known fact that when teachers and parents work together, the advantages are at hand especially for the betterment of the pupils. However, in reality, parental involvement is a big challenge for teachers who have uncooperative parents. While many parents are hands on to their children, there are those who let their children roam free and hardly monitor their progress.

As proven by a number of studies around the globe, schoolchildren are more successful when parents are involved. Responsible parents promote positive behavior. They enforce positive discipline and help their kids to be organized. They also boost their children’s self-esteem.

As stated in a guest post from https://teach.com/, there are several ways to involve parents in children’s education. Some of these include getting to know them better, including them in decision making, and encouraging volunteering. Teachers must provide opportunities for parents to feel that they are part of the learning institution and that their effort counts. There should be a parent-teacher group in order to empower parents and to promote open communication and understanding as well. Asking feedback from parents can be a basis for improvement and a way of better involvement too.

Early and frequent communication also counts. Teachers should establish a rapport of equality and create a comfortable atmosphere. They should be concise in communication and ask for parents’ input and suggestions. Moreover, they should ask for parents’ communication preference. Not every parent likes to receive calls. Others
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are very private on social media. There are some considerations that should be taken into account. Especially now that distance learning is the chosen modality, teachers must try their best to reach out for the benefit of the learners.

Sincerely, being an educator is also having the determination to become a change agent. As we all aspire to have a positive impact on our pupils’ lives, we must be ready to take risk and extend an extra mile. Who knows? What we pursue today, will soon make a difference.

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