Helping Your Children Learn

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What Parents Say

...a father asks his daughters class to come to where he works.

...a mother just moved to the United States. She shares a meal from her country with her child’s class.

...at the start of the school year, a mother sends notes to her three children’s teachers. She lets them know her work schedule in case they need to talk with her.

...a father’s work makes it hard to get to meetings during the day. He sends his son’s teacher a note. He lets her know how pleased he is with his son’s progress.

These parents help their children learn. They are part of their schools. They share their talents, concerns, and wishes.
There are many ways to be a part of your child’s school.

- going to an open house
- joining the parent association (PTA/PTO)
- watching over the playground
- checking over homework
- helping to raise money
- helping with events or field trips
- helping by sharing special talents
- helping in the classroom

Other parents have thought of these ideas:

- setting a time to visit
- dropping in to look around
- calling or writing to teachers or principals
- talking with other parents and children
- reading about the school in the newspaper
- reading the school newsletter
- supporting their children’s school progress
- reading with their children

You might try some of these ideas. Help make your children’s school years their best.