



# POINTS TO DISCUSS IN A PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

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## Child's Personality

### Tip:

- Give the teacher information that will make teaching your child easier and more efficient.
- Tell the teacher if there is anything going on at home that might affect their learning or behavior at school.

- ☐ What are my child's strengths and weaknesses?
- ☐ Is there anything that you would like to know about my child that would make teaching them easier?
- ☐ Is there a subject or activity that my child is naturally drawn to or good at?
- ☐ How does my child handle stress or challenges?
- ☐ Is my child comfortable in a leadership role or do they prefer to work on their own?

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## Child's Academic Ability

### Tip:

- Make sure your child's teacher is aware of any IEP's or accommodations that should be present in the classroom.
- Discuss with the teacher about your child's academic progress and if it is considered below level, on level or above level.

- ☐ Are there any areas of concern academically?
  - ☐ Is my child doing their best?
  - ☐ What is the homework schedule and how is it graded?
  - ☐ What is the procedure if my child is finished early or needs extra help?
  - ☐ How do I get information about my child's grades before report cards are distributed?
  - ☐ When are progress alerts given, if necessary?
  - ☐ Is my child performing to grade-level standards?
  - ☐ Does my child hand homework in on time?
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## School/Classroom Expectation

### Tip:

- Get a general outline of what your child will be doing each day.
- Discuss with the teacher what is expected of your child to be successful.

- ☐ What is your teaching philosophy and how will it help my child learn?
- ☐ What needs to be done in order for my child to be successful in this class?
- ☐ How will my child be evaluated?
- ☐ Is my child keeping up with homework assignments and participating in class?
- ☐ What standardized exams will my child take this year, and how will you help them prepare?
- ☐ How are grades determined in your classroom?

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## Social Interaction

### Tip:

- Discuss with the teacher how your child interacts in school and their opinion of how your child appears socially.

- ☐ Is my child getting along with others in the class?
- ☐ Does my child participate in class discussions?
- ☐ Where should my child sit to maximize participation in class?

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## Classroom Behavior

### Tip:

- Have the teacher explain their behavior management system and how behaviors are recorded and communicated.

- To get more information on behavior, click the link to find out about [how to teach a child respect](#).

- ☐ How are discipline issues handled in the classroom?
  - ☐ How is discipline communicated to me and my child?
  - ☐ Is positive reinforcement used as an incentive?
  - ☐ What other incentives are used to help increase positive behavior
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## Ways To Support Your Child

### Tip:

- Discuss with the teacher how to help your child be successful in the classroom.
- Discuss study routines at home and how they can help your child perform better in the classroom.
- For more great info check out the [parent-teacher meeting tips from the NEA](#).

- ☐ What are the most important strategies to help my child improve at home?
- ☐ What is the best way to stay in contact with the teacher?
- ☐ What do you suggest is the best way for my child to study for your class?
- ☐ How can I know on a daily basis what homework or assessments have been assigned?