

Ways to Be Engaged in Your Child's Education and Make Education a Priority in Your Home

- Make education a priority in your home.
- Discuss the importance of education with your child.
- Have your child attend school every day – on time. If they are not in school, they *will* miss information and instruction.
- Talk with your child daily about his/her school day, homework, and activities.
- *Assist* with homework when needed and check to see if it is complete.
- Attend your child's performances and other school events.
- Celebrate your child's efforts and accomplishments.
- Communicate regularly with your child's teachers.
- Let the teacher know the best way and time to communicate *with you* – email, phone, agenda, Focus, etc.
- Find out the best way and time to communicate *with your child's teacher*.
- Attend Parent/Teacher conference and Open Houses.
- Address issues early.
- Ask your child's teacher how you can support them – supplies, organizing, contacting other parents, etc. It could be as easy as cutting out shapes or alphabetizing.
- Volunteer - at a school function book fair, picture day, coach a sport, support a program or event, mentor or tutor a student, become a guest speaker, or chaperone a field trip, etc.
- Become a member of the school's PTA/PTO or SAC (School Advisory Council) to let your support your child's school and to let your voice be heard on important issues.
- Visit the Family Engagement page on the PCS website: www.pcsb.org.
- Download the **Pinellas County Schools Family Engagement APP** on an Iphone or Android phone.
- Listen to your child. You will learn as much from them as they learn from you!

