

A PRAYER BEFORE PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCE....

Exodus 3:12, 4:12

Almighty God, you were the source of hope for our ancestors, the people of Israel, and you are our source of hope. When Moses argued that he could not possibly confront Pharaoh, you told him, "I will be with you." When he feared that they would not listen to him, you said, "I will be your mouth and teach you what you are to speak."

God, be with me now. Be my mouth and teach me what to speak. Just as you strengthened Moses, strengthen me with the hope that you will always stand with me and guide me. Come, God of all hope.



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BEING PREPARED FOR PARENT- TEACHER CONFERENCE

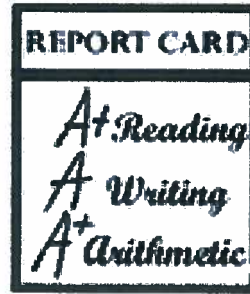
Thursday, April 26th, 2012
2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Gymnasium

Parent - teacher Conferences are opportunities for parents and teachers to talk together about how to help each child succeed in school. They are very short - usually 10 minutes in length. It's important to prepare before the interview to make the best use of that short time. However, if you require additional time, you can schedule another appointment.



BEFORE THE MEETING

- Talk to your teenager and ask if they have any questions they would like for you to ask.
- Write down any questions you can think of to ask the teacher. You might ask about grades, homework, attitude, behavior, strengths, weaknesses or test scores.
- Think of things the teacher needs to know. You know your teenager better than anyone else.



"You have only a few minutes to get to know the teacher, discuss your child's progress, and exchange ideas on how to help your child."

DURING THE MEETING

- Start the interview on a positive note. Both you and your child's teacher are trying to do what's best for your child.
- Create an action plan. Ask the teacher what you can do at home to assist with homework.
- Use the list you prepared of things you want to tell the teacher and questions you want to ask.
- Ask the teacher for an outline of what will be covered in your child's subject area.
- Listen carefully and make notes as the teacher talks about your child's progress.

AFTER THE MEETING

- Talk about the results of the Conference with your teenager.
- Stress the good things the teacher said. Talk about the suggestions the teacher made for improvement and how you plan to carry these out.
- Don't hesitate to ask for another meeting with the teacher if you think it is necessary. Call and leave a message for the teacher at school when you have a concern.



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