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**WAYS TO HELP YOUR CHILD BE A BETTER STUDENT**

1. Feed them breakfast.
2. Get them to bed at a decent hour.
3. Clue the teacher in to problems at home.
4. Don't criticize the teacher or the school in front of your child/ren.
5. Don't try to block school discipline - Let your student be responsible for his own behavior.
6. Talk to them about their school day and school work - Ask specific questions.
7. Talk to them about what's bothering them.
8. Let your child see you reading.
9. Limit TV viewing - No more than 2 hours a day is a good guide. Set up a policy and stick to it.
10. Hug them when they feel defeated.
11. Choose a special spot for bookbags, etc. so they are ready to go in the morning.
12. Set everything out the night before.
13. Choose a spot to put permission slips, newsletters, etc., so they can be easily found.
14. Responsibility needs to be taught - have kids put things away - give them chores.

**HOMEWORK**

1. Provide your child with a quiet place to study and agree on a set time to do homework.
2. Offer help within limits.
3. Insist that they do their homework.
4. Inspect their work.
5. Allow kids to make mistakes - they learn from them.
6. Don't bail them out.