

What's Happening in Kansas?

More than 80% of kids surveyed in 2021 say they try to do their best in school when the adults they live with acknowledge when they are doing a good job.

83%

Why does this matter?

Parents can have a major impact on their child's achievement in school based on the encouragement and high expectations they communicate. More students surveyed report they try to do their best when parents notice they are doing a good job than when parents do not notice..

What Can You Do?

Parental influence starts—and ends—with powerful everyday messages.



Emphasize good study habits and a good attitude toward school.



Praise your child for real effort and good attitudes about schoolwork.



Spend a few minutes daily with each child, talking and listening with patience and love.



Establish a family routine with regular mealtimes, bedtimes, homework time, and outdoor play/exercise time.



Check your child's progress: review report cards, attend parent-teacher conferences.

