

HOW TO HELP YOUR CHILD SUCCEED IN AN ONLINE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

As we navigate the world of online learning together, we have discovered some tips/tricks that we would like to share that will enable your child to maximize his/her success in an online learning environment:

1. **Supervise:** As your child's classroom is at home, we, as teachers, rely on you to be our eyes and ears. Take time to see what your child is doing while they are engaging in their online learning. View part of a google meet and have access to their online learning platform so that you can monitor their progress and see the work that they are producing. On the flip side, be careful to not fall into the trap of doing the work for your child. Teachers want to see what your child can do so that they can understand how to best support them.
2. **Set a Schedule:** Your child is used to having structure and routine in their day. It will be very important for you to establish this in a home learning environment as well. A proper sleep schedule (bedtime and set wake up time) will be imperative to your child's success. Set a start and end time to your child's school day with time built in for breaks. A calendar that outlines due dates for assignments and a daily check list outlining tasks to be completed each day are also helpful.
3. **Be a part of your child's learning team:** The saying "It takes a village to raise a child" is true. We need parents to be an active part of their child's learning team, especially in an at home learning environment. If questions arise about your child's classes, please communicate early and often. Teachers want to hear from you and are happy to help in anyway they can to have your child receive the best learning experience possible. Parents can reach teachers via email (lastnameinitial@lrsd.ab.ca) or set up a one on one meets with them via google meets to receive extra help.
4. **Create a home learning space:** As your child begins his/her online learning journey, take a few minutes to create a learning space for their "school day". This space should be quiet, consistent and free from external distractions. Often times students can become distracted during online learning sessions from parents, siblings or even family pets walking by as the teacher is teaching online. Create a "desk" space where supplies such as paper, pencils and calculators are handy to maximize your child's ability to learn when online instruction is occurring.

As always, we appreciate your support as we work together for the betterment of our students!

