

School Supplies

Supply lists are at the vendors, the district office, on the district website, and will be available at the schools. Start shopping to set the tone that it's time to prepare for school.

Get Back on Schedule

- School times may have changed, so be sure you are aware of what time school starts
- Start getting the kids ready to be on their "school" schedule
- Practice your morning routine.
- Try to develop a consistent schedule

Open House

Be sure to attend the Open House scheduled for your child's school. It will give you all a chance to become acquainted with the school and staff.

Organize your Home and School Work

- Create a logical place in your home for homework
- Consider writing school schedules down

First Day of School

- Practice walking to school or the bus stop to familiarize your child with the route
- Remind your child that they are not the only ones who are nervous
- Give your child some strategies for coping
- Plan something special for the week or days before school starts

Throughout the year ...

Read to and with your child. Reading is one of the most important things parents can do to contribute to their child's educational success.

For students new to a school ...

Starting school in a new place can be difficult. To help your child adjust ...

- Explain how school will be different
- Stop by to see if you can meet the principal and any staff on hand, and visit the building and classroom.
- Make it clear that school is children's work and that it is important.
- Let them know that it's "okay" to be nervous. Don't try to talk them out of it, but help them understand those feelings really are "okay."
- Kids will adjust to change, but it may take time. Be patient.