

# What Parents Can Do

- Show interest in school learning. Praise even the littlest things. Spend time talking about what they have learned in school. Make your interest in school about the subjects and information, not his/her performance.
- Avoid discussing your child's abilities and inabilities in their presence. Do not compare them with brothers, sisters, or any other children. Remember, all children are different and their uniqueness should be appreciated.
- Make development, not perfection, the basis for considering your child's growth. Always consider: "How does my child's performance compare with his/her previous performance?"
- Take part in various school activities such as class trips and events. Join the PTO!
- See to it that your child eats a healthy breakfast.
- Listen to your child read and read to your child.
- Let your child see you read.
- Turn off the television, computer, iPad, and other electronic devices.
- Have your child help you cook, clean, pack their lunch, fold laundry, etc.
- Talk, talk, talk! Listen, listen, listen...
- Play strategic games, word games and math games.
- 4 hugs a day!
- Smile at your child and make eye contact with talking with them.
- Share the joy and wonder and celebrate the journey of learning!