

Digital Learning Partnerships

Now more than ever, you as a parent have an opportunity to engage in digital learning. Most of us use some sort of social media, digital source for news, or online site to support our hobbies, interests, or basic needs. Your student has most likely also used digital platforms for games, entertainment, and information. In this era of digital access, students are also using digital learning inside and outside of the classroom.

As a parent you can support your student in digital learning through a variety of strategies. You don't need to be the expert. You can empower your student to lead their own learning. You can help by offering encouragement and an environment that is effective to access online content. Below are some ideas and language that can support your student's digital experience. They are organized by habit to encourage the ongoing use of the 7 Habits language used at school.

HABITS	IDEAS	LANGUAGE
Habit 1: Be Proactive	Ensure students have all the important information and training they need before they start.	What can you proactively do before you participate in this activity?
Habit 2: Begin with the End in Mind	Encourage your student to share their goals and end in mind for the work.	What is the end in mind for this activity?
Habit 3: Put First Things First	Ensure your student has the right technology (devices, sound, etc.) before they begin.	How will this (platform/activity) help you as a learner?
Habit 4: Think Win-Win	Decide on a win-win for both you and your student during the online time.	What will be a win-win for you and your teacher?
Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood	Find out if your student has questions, concerns, or needs before you share your thoughts and ideas.	What did you hear about this (platform/activity) and what do you need your teacher or me to know?
Habit 6: Synergize	Ask your child what they need from you and other family members to be successful.	Who can you go to for help or ideas?
Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw	Ensure your child has plenty to eat and drink and has a quiet space that is comfortable for them.	Where are you going to sit? What will your breaks look like? How will you take care of your body?