

Dear Parents,

As the school year progresses we find we have more demands on our time during the day which makes it even harder to keep our children focused on the academics. I found the following information which I hope might be useful to you.

GOOD STUDY TIPS

1. Set a schedule

Studying should be part of your student's daily routine, not something that one tries to cram in the night before a test. Students should space out study time over the course of the week. Preparing for tests ahead of time can reduce anxiety and finishing assignments ahead of schedule can be rewarding for students. Parents and students write due dates and major deadlines on a calendar as a visual reminder.

2. Avoid distractions

Cell phones, games or TV can quickly interrupt a productive study session. Curb your child's temptation to tune in, text, or update their status by shutting down any unnecessary electronics during scheduled study time. Sometimes students often need a computer to complete assignments or type papers. Paying close attention and checking frequently will help.

3. Break it up

Maintaining focus during a long study session may be challenging. You know your child's limits so divide up the time. Being aware of your child's attention span can help you have a successful study time.

I will be in my room Monday, January 7, 2013, from 6:15 PM until 6:45 PM. (This is PTT/SAT meeting night.)

If you have any concerns or suggestions as to how I can better serve you child more productively, please come to see me. I can also be reached by phone during the school day if that is more convenient. My goal is to help your child be successful.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,
Donna Johnson