

## BUILDING STRONG WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH TEACHERS

Studies show that healthy parent-teacher relationships are a more significant factor in student success than

you keep teachers up to date with significant changes or difficulties that your child or young person experiences so they can accommodate your child's emotional and learning needs at school.

## Be loyal

Showyour loyalty to your child's teachers by being an advocate. Talk positively about your child's teacher and school, rather than being negative about them when speaking in the wider community. Teachers hold very public positions and generally work hard to build good reputations both within their school and their wider education community. Consider a teacher's reputation among the community and with children when you discuss educational matters with others.

## In closing

Building healthy relationships with your child's teacher doesn't just happen. It takes goodwill from both sides, a commitment to setting aside the time necessary to support the home-based learning tasks that are expected, and a willingness to communicate concerns and commendations through the correct channels.

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