

PREPARING FOR *High School* Parent-Teacher Conferences

Get ready! Your child's school will invite you to a parent-teacher conference. This is a great opportunity to talk with your child's teacher about how your child is doing in school, academically and socially. Remember that you are always welcome at your child's school!

What we know. Students do best when their teachers, parents and caregivers work as partners. We also know these meetings can feel intimidating. The suggested checklist can help you get the information you need to help your child succeed. Feel free to add your own questions.

Is this my only chance to meet with my child's teacher? You can talk with your child's teacher anytime during the school year. You do not have to wait for the parent-teacher conference. If you would like an interpreter, the school can arrange one for you.

What questions should I ask my child's teacher?

- [ ] Does my child participate in class discussions and activities?
- [ ] Can you give some examples of my child's academic strengths and difficulties?
- [ ] What extra support can the school provide to help my child?
- [ ] Are there after-school programs, clubs or activities that would benefit my child?
- [ ] What can I do at home to support my child at school?
- [ ] What are the expectations for completing homework, turning in assignments and being prepared for class?
- [ ] Is my child in the right classes to graduate on time?
- [ ] Is my child on track to be able to attend college?
- [ ] Is my child in the right classes to complete their career certification program?

You can also:

- Tell your teacher about your child's interests.
- Tell your teacher if your child is having any emotional or health issues