Tips for Successful Remote Learning

Create a designated learning spot for your child to participate in online instruction and do schoolwork.

- Choose a quiet space without a lot of background noise.
- Situate your child away from toys, television, and other distractions.
- <u>Keep your child's remote learning toolkit in the learning spot</u>. Help your child learn to put all the materials back into the toolbox when finished and do not allow the materials to be used other than for schoolwork.

Come up with a daily schedule and try to stick to it.



- Include online instruction times as well as times for your child to work on the daily video lessons.
- Provide time for movement breaks, snacks, and free choice.
- A good rule of thumb for first grade is about 20-30 minutes of focused work time followed by 5-10 minutes of time for a movement break.
- Create a visual of the schedule and post it where your child can see it, then refer to it throughout the day so your child understands the structure of the day.

Make the most of online learning times.

- If possible, have your child use headphones or earbuds with a builtin microphone. This eliminates background noise, helps your child to hear others, and helps others to hear your child. These can be purchased very inexpensively at Wal-Mart, Target, Best Buy, etc.
- While using Google Meets, use the "Grid View" so that your child can see and interact with all of the participants.
- Once your child is comfortable using the technology, it is not necessary for an adult to sit with the child the entire time, however it is helpful to have an adult nearby to help with technology issues if they arise and to monitor behavior.



 Help your child to understand that, just as we would not have toys or snacks while learning at school, we should not have them while learning online.

Overcoming Obstacles...



- Let your child make choices, such as deciding what order to do the video lessons in.
- Use an incentive system, such as allowing your child to earn a sticker or tally mark for completing lessons, then redeeming the "points" for a reward such as family fun time or extra choice time on Friday.
- Communicate frequently with your child's teacher so that we can problem-solve together. We've got this!!