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Good Grades Start At Home

(NAPSA)—Whether it be lending expertise in the classroom or helping with homework, parental involvement in schooling can play a key role in children’s academic achievement.



Involved parents can significantly improve the quality of their children’s education.

According to research published in 2002 by the Southwest Educational Development Laboratory, students with involved parents are more likely to:

- Earn higher grades and test scores, and enroll in higher-level programs.
- Be promoted and pass their classes.
- Attend school regularly.
- Graduate and continue to post-secondary education.

“Not only does parental involvement in schooling strengthen the family and help students achieve better grades, it also strengthens the life of the schools, creating a community of committed adults supporting the goals of the schools and the students,” said Patrick Bassett, president of the National Association of Independent Schools. “This feeling of community, with adults and students working together for a common purpose, is one of the great strengths of independent schools.”

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