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Remote Learning Tips for Parents

The Basics

- Create an appropriate learning space
- Set a routine/follow a schedule
- Identify daily goals for work completion
- Encourage movement and brain breaks
- Stay connected
 - Students should be encouraged to connect with peers—study groups, virtual meetings, etc..
 - Stay connected as a family—have family fun time, plan time to talk and check in
 - Get connected with school staff
 - Get to know your student's learning platform (Canvas or Seesaw)
 - Do not hesitate to ask for help—email or ask for a Teams meeting/call with teachers
- Monitor your student's progress—check-in regularly with student and on learning platform



When There Are Concerns

- Identify the barriers to success, then you can problem-solve those issues
 - Is the student's home environment conducive to learning (space, schedule, adult support, etc.)?
 - What student issues impact learning (motivation, communication, time, mental health, etc.)?
- Ask for help!!
 - Use the learning platform tools your student uses (Canvas or Seesaw)
 - Communicate and problem solve with teachers
 - Ask for a time to meet with teachers via Teams or phone
- Help your student become organized and prioritize work
 - Help set up a plan with your student and check in to make sure it is happening
- Help your student find motivation
 - Help them understand the importance and value of learning for their future
 - Motivation may be connected to your limits, expectations, consequences and encouragement
 - It is vital that you set clear expectations, limits, consequences and supports
 - Best results will come when a student has input in this process

RELATIONSHIPS MATTER

Whether it is family, friendships, student-teacher connections or belonging in a community—Relationships matter!

- Connections with others improve mental health
- Positive school relationships promote learning and productivity
- Healthy families encourage problem –solving and positive coping

Find ways for you and your child/teen to connect and build positive relationships with each other and others!

REMINDER: The School District of Marshfield Student Services Alcohol & Other Drug Abuse resource page is now active: