

# Five strategies can increase your child's motivation to learn

Kids who are motivated to learn are likely to be more successful in school than those who are not.

To motivate your child:

1. Be a learner yourself. Let your child see you read books. Watch educational programs. Attend school functions. Try new things. Show curiosity.
2. Share what you learn. Talk about new ideas or scientific discoveries with your child. Discuss things you read or hear.
3. Show an interest in what he is learning. Ask questions simply to learn and share—not to check up on your child.
4. Let him know you believe he can learn. If you show faith in your child's ability to learn, he will have more confidence in his ability.
5. Stay positive. If your child has problems in school, help him see that problems can be solved. Meet with the teacher to figure out ways your child can improve.

Then discuss ways you can work together to help him succeed.

Reprinted with permission from the April 2017 issue of *Parents make the difference!*® (Elementary School Edition) newsletter. Copyright © 2017 The Parent Institute®, a division of PaperClip Media, Inc.