

Distance Learning Hot Topics Series

Leveraging Family Engagement to Foster Student Success in Distance & Blended Learning



Hot Topics Series Resource Handout

Session 3

Developing Positive Mindsets for Distance Learning & Family Engagement

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Developing Positive Mindsets for Distance Learning



Big Ideas for Distance Learning

Growth mindsets, which are a way of thinking about a particular circumstance, have the power to inspire different goals and shape views about effort.

A Growth Mindset is a way of engaging with the world around you. Although we often focus on the benefits of this mindset for students, it is equally as important for families to model this perspective as a means to help ease families through the transitions of distance learning.

All students need a safe space to try, and sometimes even fail, and the support of their families and teachers to see, talk, and listen to them on their distance learning journey.



Family Engagement Strategies

1. Teach, model, and reinforce positive social interactions between the teacher-student-family triad to foster students' resiliency skills during distance learning
2. Support families in recognizing their student's unique learning styles and how that can guide students in developing their own self-regulation skills during distance learning
3. Encourage student perseverance skills helping families to identify the appropriate level of challenge and support needed during distance learning



Create your Distance Learning space at home:

- Talk with your child about what kind of space helps them to learn.
- Choose a learning space based on your child's learning preferences and needs. Make it comfortable... but not too comfortable.
- Identify a place to store unnecessary tech and toys to eliminate distractions during learning.
- Create your daily schedule with your child. Include time for learning, breaks, and play. Stagger as necessary to support multiple children learning at home.
- Make sure all learning supplies are accessible.
- Encourage your child to personalize their learning space to fit their own style.

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<p>What do you already KNOW about this topic?</p>	
<p>What do you still WONDER about this topic?</p>	
<p>What new information or strategies did you LEARN?</p>	
<p>What will you DO to apply what you have learned?</p>	



LINKS & RESOURCES

[Distance Learning Playbook for Parents](#)

[Growth Mindset Resources for Parents and Teachers](#)

[How to Get Kids Into a Learning Mindset at Home](#)

[Mindsets and Behaviors for K-12 Student Success](#)

[The Importance of Growth Mindset in Distance Learning](#)