

From Brick to Click: Engaging Students Online

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Student Engagement

In education, student engagement refers to the degree of attention, curiosity, interest, optimism, and passion that students show when they are learning or being taught, which extends to the level of motivation they have to learn and progress in their education.

<https://www.edglossary.org/student-engagement/>



Getting Students to Log In

They didn't choose this

Not attending is not necessarily truancy

Lack of confidence in this modality, parent or student, or both

Find out what's okay for their family

Consider webinars for parents on your systems



Reaching out individually to families
increases engagement significantly



How many children do you have that are participating in online lessons?

What are your children's grade levels?

How often is the school communicating with you?

How often is your child's teacher communicating with you?

How confident are you feeling about helping your child with online learning?

What are you struggling with?

How can we support you?

What do you want your child's school and teacher to know about your experience with online learning?

Survey Says...

They're not in the online student mindset



Home environment



Are they getting out of bed?



Are they just in survival mode?



Setting reminders or calling them to get them to the session



Knowing which students will need additional support vs self starters

Making Students Want to Participate



Schedules for Online Teaching Sessions



Best time for a majority of
students



Coordinate schedules with
other teachers



Recommended office hours



Recording the Sessions

Not everyone
will make it to
your session

You need a place
for students to
access previously
recorded lesson

What Do I Do When... Behaviors Edition



Set Expectations



Reward Positive
Behaviors



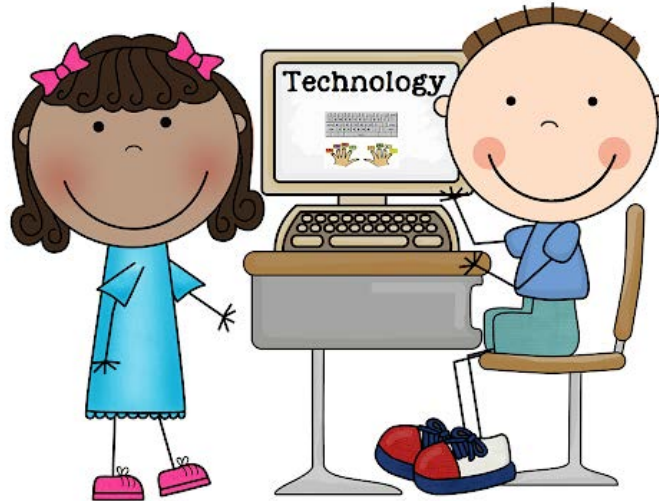
Warning Systems



Working With
Parents

I am an engaged student when I...

- Log in ontime
- Dress appropriately
- Remove distractions
- Listen to and follow instructions
- Respect others
- Wait my turn to speak



- Have the materials I need
 - Know when my assignments are due
 - Ask questions if I am unsure
 - Check my communications often
 - Have a quiet place to work

...During live online classes.

...During independent work.

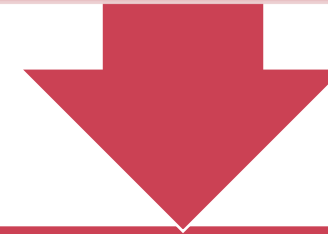
Helping Parents Help Their Children

Setting Expectations for Required School Activities

Online

Offline

Setting a
Schedule



Office hours for parents

Consult
with them

Give them
strategies

Give them
grace

Create a
parent
network

Well Care Check

Who is responsible for this?

All of us!

Mandated reporter



How often?

At least weekly

When you haven't
heard from them

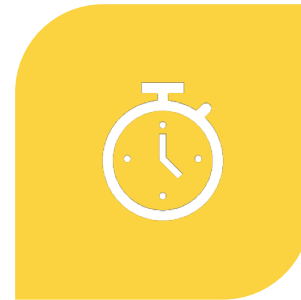


What do you do?

Video

Phone call – Talk to
the kids

Helping Students Understand What Is Happening



HAVING TIME FOR
THEM TO SHARE



SHARE CURRENT
EVENTS, AND BE
SUPPORTIVE

Anxiety/Mental Health is a mindset!

Before you engage in any online activity,
give yourself ample time to find your
“best you!”

Have a plan for the day

Find others you can connect with
dealing with the same circumstances

Questions





Schedule Additional Time and Support

<https://calendly.com/lighthouse.tx/webinar>

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Additional Resources

- [Best Practices for Securing Your Virtual Classroom](#)
- [From Brick to Click: Reaching Your Students Online](#)
- [From Brick to Click: Ready, Set, Click](#)
- [From Brick to Click: Finding Resources](#)





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