High Impact Home Strategies

Strategy #1: Ask Questions

- Connect at a Special Time Each Day
- Connect in a Special Place
- Connect through Media and Text
- Connect through Interaction

Talk to student:
Regularly make time to talk with your child about school, their grades, and their coursework in order to help monitor their progress and provide support as needed. Here are some questions you can ask:

What classes do you enjoy? Which are going well, Why?
What class(es) are you struggling with or feeling unchallenged by? Why?
In what ways have you communicated your concerns with your teacher or counselor?

Talk to Teacher:
If you have concerns or need help supporting your student in a specific class, contact your student’s teacher. Here are some questions you can ask:

What does my child need to work on in order to be successful?
What is something we can all agree to work on together?
When can we check in again about my student’s progress?

Talk to School:
After talking to your student’s teacher, if you feel you still need more information about additional programs or supports offered by the school, or have unresolved concerns, contact the school counselor or administration.

How can I help my student monitor their attendance and grades?
What additional supports does your school offer that would support my student’s progress?
Who will contact me if my student falls behind?

Tip:
Support independence by suggesting that your student send an email to their teacher or counselor whenever they have a concern related to school. (Make sure to have your child cc a parent in this communication)