



9th Grade Parent Night

Let's E.M.P.O.W.E.R. our SOONS!



**"To an adolescent,
there is nothing
in the world
more embarrassing
than a parent."**

- Dave Barry

FB: Between Us Parents

E. Encourage Engagement

- ▶ Taking INITIATIVE
- ▶ CONNECT with others with similar interests
- ▶ CONTRIBUTE to team, a cause
 - Teamwork
 - Hard work
 - Commitment
 - Valuable life skills

M. Monitor

▶ Monitor Personal/Social

- Pay attention to physical and mental health
- Keep tabs on whereabouts, friendships, peer activities
- Limit/monitor screen time, social media

▶ Monitor Academics

- Parent Portal
- Class Syllabi
- Planners / Agenda
 - Math Tutoring
 - Math Intervention

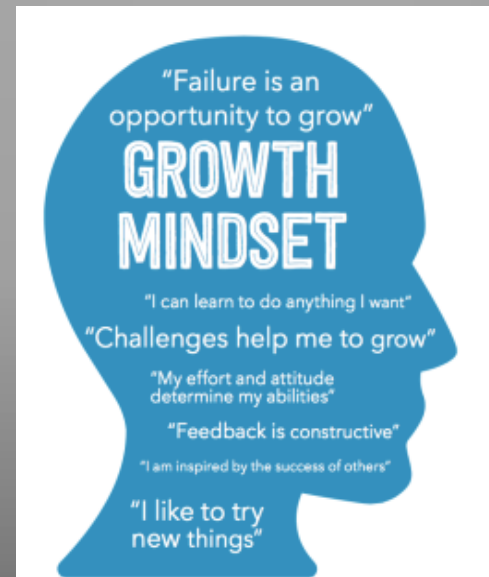


▶ Monitor School Events

- School Website/Blackboard Messages/Marquee
 - Back to School Night – Sept 20 (Community Fair 5pm)
 - 9th Grade Academic Planning Meetings
 - Coffee Hour – First Fridays 9am Parent Resource Center Rm 300

P. Promote Perseverance

- ▶ *“Strength and growth come only through continuous effort and struggle.”* –Napoleon Hill
- ▶ Talk to teachers
- ▶ Tutoring, Extra Help,
- ▶ Math Intervention & Math Support
- ▶ Study Skills/Strategies
- ▶ Utilizing Resources
 - Textbook, online, apps like Photomath
- ▶ *“Failure is only the opportunity to begin again, only this time more wisely.”* – Henry Ford
- ▶
 - Math Intervention & Math Support
 - Repeat IM1
 - Summer School
 - Credit Recovery



O. Observe and Open Up

“Less direct supervision, more communication, observation, and networking with other adults.”

- ▶ Observe
- ▶ Open lines of communication
 - Ask about their classes, friends, whereabouts
 - LISTEN and convey interest in their lives
 - Talk to parents, teachers, counselor
 - Utilize school, community, mental health resources
 - LINK CREW
 - Caring Connections/Case Managers
- ▶ OFFER Support and Acceptance

W. Wake the WINNER Within

- ▶ Be the best “YOU”
 - don't look left, don't look right, focus on you and give 100% of what you have
- ▶ Control the controllables
 - EFFORT, ATTITUDE and the CHOICES you make



E. Establish Expectations

- ▶ Establish and communicate family values and expectations
- ▶ Provide guidance and limits/boundaries
 - *“Loosen up, but don’t let go”*
 - Combine rules and expectations with respect and responsiveness
- ▶ Enforce Consequences when necessary

R. Reinforce SOONS Behaviors

- ▶ Reinforce & Model positive behaviors
 - SHOW RESPECT
 - OWN YOUR ACTIONS
 - OVERCOME OBSTACLES
 - NEVER STOP LEARNING
 - SERVE OTHERS

