The Benefits of Parent Engagement in Children’s Learning

There is strong consensus, supported by a variety of evidence dating from over 40 years, that positive parental engagement can and does have a positive impact on many indicators of student achievement, including:

• higher grades and test scores,
• enrolment in higher level programs and advanced classes,
• higher successful completion of classes,
• lower drop-out rates,
• higher graduation rates, and
• a greater likelihood of commencing postsecondary education.

Beyond educational achievement, parental engagement is associated with various indicators of student development. These include:

• more regular school attendance,
• better social skills,
• improved behaviour,
• better adaptation to school,
• increased social capital,
• a greater sense of personal competence and efficacy for learning,
• greater engagement in school work, and
• a stronger belief in the importance of education.

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