



# Tips for Parents: Home is the First School

*You are your child's first teacher, and your home is your child's first classroom. Attitudes about learning develop early, so experts recommend that you encourage exploration, curiosity, and learning from the beginning. Ask your child questions that will get them thinking about the world around them. Provide them with educational toys. Most importantly, read to your little one daily, and let them see you reading. You'll show them by example the value of literacy.*

*For more information on ways you can get your child started on a lifetime of learning, follow these links:*

Literacy checklist for the home:

[http://www.getreadytoread.org/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=75&Itemid=58](http://www.getreadytoread.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=75&Itemid=58)

Fun and Learning for Parents and Children: An Activities Handbook

[http://www.bmcc.edu/Headstart/Fun\\_and\\_Learning/index.html](http://www.bmcc.edu/Headstart/Fun_and_Learning/index.html) (Bay Mills Community College)

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