



College Readiness: Training Our Students to Soar

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Agenda



- Understanding College Readiness
- Planning for Success
- Exploring 21st Century Skills

If parents and teachers work together, students are more likely to be successful in school.

Opening Activity



- Parents – write your hopes and dreams for your child.
- Share your notecard with another person in the room.

What is College Readiness?



A College Readiness can be defined as a student who is academically prepared, ready for postsecondary education or training without the need for remedial coursework.

Planning For Success



Optimizing student success
starts at home.

13 Essential 21st Century Skills for Today's Students



- **Collaboration and teamwork**
- **Creativity and imagination**
- **Critical thinking**
- **Problem solving**
- **Flexibility and adaptability**
- **Global and cultural awareness**
- **Information literacy**
- **Leadership**
- **Civic literacy and citizenship**
- **Oral and written communication skills**
- **Social responsibility and ethics**
- **Technology literacy**
- **Initiative**

Ways to Help at Home



- Talk to your student about school and their goals.
- Be aware of your student's classes and his/her performance in each. Review progress reports and report cards.
- Praise your student's strengths and help him/her find ways to improve areas in of weakness. (KHAN Academy, Mathtrain.tv)
- Assign responsibilities around the house
- Create community service projects together.
- Explore career pathway together and complete a career assessment.

The future depends on what we do in the present - Gandhi

Growth Mindset



The Iceberg Illusion

Success is an iceberg

SUCCESS!

WHAT PEOPLE SEE

Persistence



Failure



Sacrifice



Disappointment



WHAT PEOPLE DON'T SEE

Dedication



Hard work



Good habits

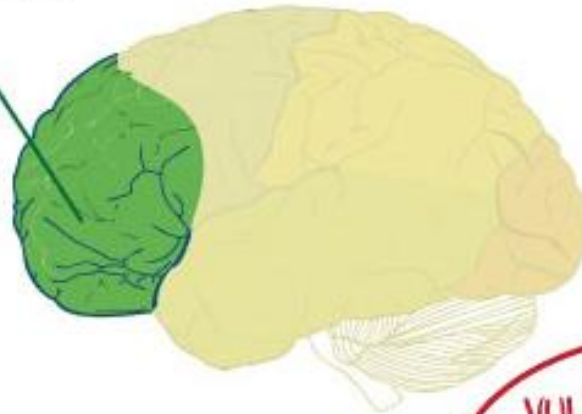


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MAY NOT FULLY DEVELOP
UNTIL YOUR MID-20S

PREFRONTAL CORTEX

ACTS AS THE CEO OF THE BRAIN,
HAS BEEN IMPLICATED IN PLANNING
COMPLEX COGNITIVE BEHAVIOR,
PERSONALITY EXPRESSION,
DECISION MAKING, AND
MODERATING SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR.



THE LAST PART
OF THE BRAIN TO DEVELOP
IS THE PRE-FRONTAL CORTEX

TEEN'S BRAIN

THE DEVELOPMENT OF
HORMONE-FUELED LIMBIC SYSTEM
BEGINS BETWEEN AGES 10 TO 12
AND MATURES OVER THE NEXT
SEVERAL YEARS

VULNERABLE TO
DANGEROUS BEHAVIORS
AND SERIOUS
MENTAL DISORDERS

THE MOST SIGNIFICANT
CHANGE TAKING PLACE
IN AN ADOLESCENT BRAIN
IS THE INCREASE IN
COMMUNICATIONS
AMONG GROUPS OF NEURONS

Resources



- <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/prepare-for-college>
- www.khanacademy.org
- <http://mathtrain.tv/>
- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/#>
- Raise.me



Q & A



THANK YOU



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