



# **Parent Support for Test Taking**

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# Preparing for Testing

- Note test dates
- Encourage student to take responsibility for homework, class work, and test
- Encourage student to ask questions
- Ask for progress reports
- Gather any available test preparation materials
- Praise student and continue encouraging

# Testing Day

- Make sure student is well rested the night before testing
- Make sure student gets a nourishing breakfast
- Student should wear comfortable clothing
- Student should bring a sweater
- Make sure student is on time for school
- Do not send student to school if sick
- Student should arrive at school with a positive attitude
- Praise and encourage student prior to leaving home and after they return home

# Students' Test Taking Strategies Prior to Testing

- Use past homework assignments and class notes for reviewing
- Study with a friend
- Get to bed at a reasonable time
- Eat a nourishing breakfast
- Be on time for school
- Remain positive

# Students' Testing Taking Strategies During Testing

- Come to school with a positive attitude
- Pay careful attention to all directions given
- Review each question and ask yourself, "What is the question asking me to do?"
- Read titles, sub-titles, BOLD print, italic prints, pictures, and graphs

# Students' Testing Taking Strategies During Testing Continued

- Read each passage carefully
- Read each question carefully and respond to each question one at a time
- Reread, when necessary
- Make educated guesses: eliminate wrong answers by reasoning
- Do not spend too much time on one question
- If you do not know the answer to a question, skip it and come back to it later. Another question might help you with the previous question

# Students' Testing Taking Strategies

## During Testing Continued

- Make sure you put answer in the correct answer grid
- Write neatly and in complete sentences on task performance questions
- Change an answer only if you are sure you were wrong and erase completely
- Answer all questions
- If time permits, review test (only the ones you were working on)
- Keep a Good Attitude