

## TEACHERS AND PARENTS' ROLE: A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY TOWARD LEARNERS' SUCCESS

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Children's learning is a gift of shared responsibility. In the beginning, when children learn new things, the presence of people who can help them learn interdependently is essential. The responsibility of collaborating among these people is crucial because it can help in fulfilling the children's aspirations in life. The collaboration between teachers and parents is essential in the education of our learners. They are the key persons who can work hand in hand in making our children's learning meaningful and successful. They serve as soldiers who has an immense contribution and responsibility in shaping our children's personality.

The teacher's role is to actualize the learner's potential. They are one of the many influential people in the lives of each learner that develop characteristics, knowledge, abilities, skills, and experiences. They also serve as mentors that provide tasks according to the learner's respective skills and abilities, provide a clear path in achieving the learner's goal, have a helping hand in assessing the learner's knowledge and extend help to learners who need special attention. Lastly, teachers are also learners, they learn from their experiences and therefore use these to be better teachers. According to Cox (2020), being an educator involves much more than doing and executing lesson plans and instructions. Teaching is a profession that regularly extends beyond education. In ensuring students' academic success, teachers must function as parents, mentors, and counselors. There is almost no limit to the roles and responsibilities a teacher may play. Therefore, teachers play a vital role in shaping students' success.

On the other hand, the parent's role in shaping the personality involves raising, teaching, and guiding children to become strong standing good members of society. As learning models, parents take full responsibility for shaping good character among their children during the early years. Supportive parents show a positive attitude towards school to show their children how important school is. They make homes a good place for learning. They offer encouragement and a positive influence on children's motivation to become successful learners. They also serve as a guide in helping their children's work in school easier by helping them with their homework and helping them feel that support is always present.

Parental involvement happens when teachers engage parents in school events and meetings, and parents volunteer and give their support at home and school. In this way, they take dedication and commitment. Parents act and commit to prioritizing their child's learning goals, and teachers commit to sensing and providing a space for cooperation and collaboration with parents. The partnership among these people can be a great tool for achieving quality education.

Parent-teacher collaboration and cooperation are important. When the parents communicate with the teacher, they can work together to create a relationship and build the best learning environment, both at home and school. They can sympathize with the student's strengths and weaknesses, make a plan of action to strengthen those weaknesses, identify which factors may be hindering the student's learning capabilities and abilities, and become a united support system in helping the children in achieving their goals and dreams.

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