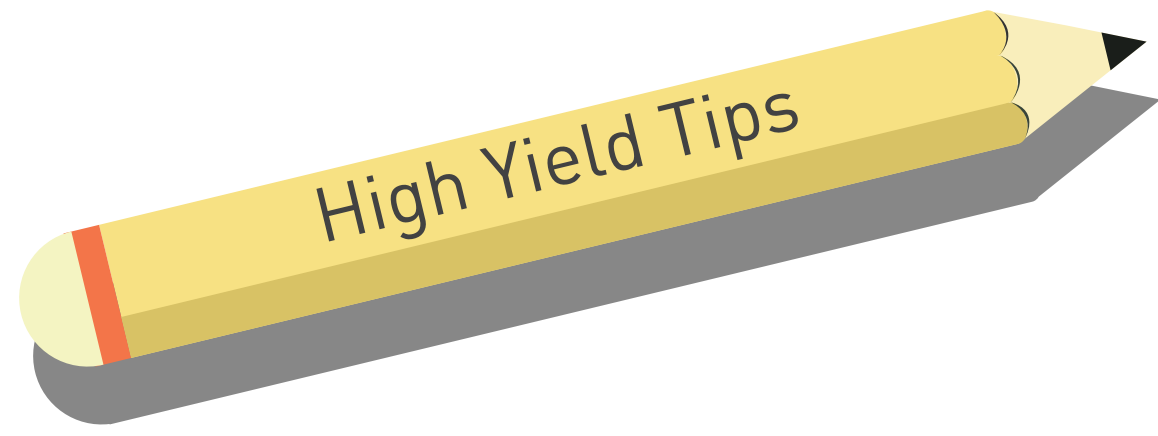




# How to Partner with your Child's Teacher



**When you or a teacher has concerns about how your child is learning or behaving in the classroom, clear & open communication is KEY.**

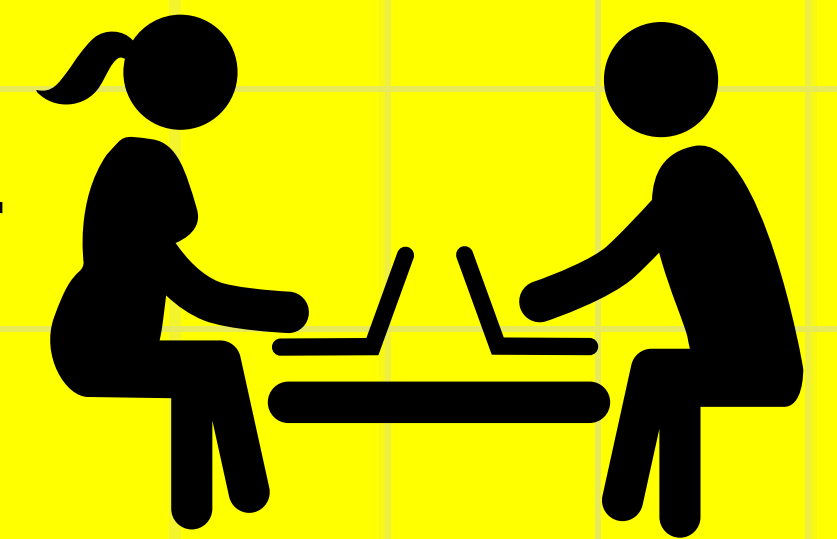


Reach Out

**To TALK**

Let the teacher know how he/she can easily communicate with you (work phone, cell, text or email).

Share 1 or 2 different ways. Everyone is busy!



You might start by saying, "Do you have time to share ideas on how to help my child in the classroom?"

*ask*

for an example so you can understand his/her point of view

**TIP**

If you don't agree...

Keep calm!

Use statements with "I" instead of "you".  
Examples: "I don't understand. Can you explain why you believe this will work?"

"I have not seen that at home. Can you tell me more?"

Keep emails or progress papers in a folder. Keep things simple, interesting and organized!



You might want to take time to sit and watch your child in the classroom to learn how your child behaves and acts in the classroom and how the teacher responds

Work with the teacher to think of creative ways to support your child. Ask for the teacher's advice on what has worked in the classroom so that you can try it at home.



Consistency is the key to your child's learning at home & school!

