

GET INVOLVED IN YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION - VOLUNTEER



Your child's education

Being involved in your child's learning adds to their experience and sends a clear message that their education is important to you.

Parents and caregivers who volunteer are a huge resource for a school, preschool or children's centre. Aboriginal people and people from diverse backgrounds have a lot to offer and are encouraged to be involved. There are many ways to help.

Ways to get involved

Your help is always welcome and it's never too late to start. Some ways could be to:

- share your family's culture
- help students one-on-one and be a mentor
- be a sports coach
- help in the library
- go on camps and excursions
- listen to reading
- help at special events, like science and maths challenges or school musicals
- work in the kitchen garden.

You will have your own skills – let us know how you can best help.

Benefits to you and your child

Research shows that when parents and caregivers are more closely involved with their child's education there are direct benefits.

You can:

- be part of why your child succeeds with their education
- find out about what happens in your child's day
- feel valued by teachers and staff
- make friends and feel more connected.

It can mean your child is more likely to:

- learn better
- enjoy learning and feel motivated to do well
- have better relationships, improved behaviour and greater confidence
- graduate and go on with their education, including TAFE or university
- attend school regularly
- go on to be a lifelong volunteer.

More reading

What can I do to help my child learn?

www.decd.sa.gov.au/supporting-students/parent-engagement-education

'Meaningful living', Associate Professor Thomas Nielsen, University of Canberra

www.thomaswnielsen.net/resources/meaningful-living/

- ☑ If you think you can help, talk to the staff at your local school, preschool or children's centre to find out more.

get in touch:

