

1) Objectives

- Parent will share insights regarding their child's strengths, talents, and needs.
- Parent and teacher will discuss academic and social growth and work habits using the student progress report and work samples.
- Teacher will provide feedback and recommendations.

2) What to Expect

Part 1: Welcome/Introductions

Part 2: Parent shares their child's feelings toward school, insights regarding their child, and their goals for the conference.

Part 3: Teacher discusses the child's academic and behavioral progress using student work samples as evidence.

Part 4: Closing questions. These include "Have all of your questions been answered?" and "Is the progress report clear?"

3) Be Prepared

- Talk with your child before the conference about how he or she is feeling about school.
- Decide what you want to discuss.
- Be on time.

4) Some Topics You Might Want To Discuss

We believe a child's social, emotional, and physical development is as much a part of a child's education as academic growth.

A. Please be prepared to discuss your child's:

- academic effort and achievement
- strengths and weaknesses
- behavior in regard to:
 - being respectful
 - being responsible
 - being ready to learn
 - being caring
 - being trustworthy

B. Consider what you might do to assist your child and be involved in his or her education.

C. Identify issues or home situations that might impact your child's ability to perform at school.

D. Note any questions or concerns you have about your child's progress report.

If you have **questions for another teacher who works with your child (including physical education, music, art, band, orchestra, ESL, speech, social worker, or psychologist) please ask your teacher where they are located so you can ask them questions after your conference. You also may send that teacher an e-mail or call them at Sherman to schedule a conference.*

5) At the Conference, We Discussed the Following:

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To Help You Prepare...

Please watch a brief video about parent-teacher conferences on the district Web site at www.rhnet.org/conferences. You also may use the bullets below to write down questions you have about your child's education. If you wish, send a copy of the questions to your child's teacher before the conference.

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Student's Name: _____

Teacher: _____

Parent Resource Guide
for
Parent-Teacher Conferencing



Conference Reminder

Dear _____:

I am looking forward to our scheduled conference in
room _____ from _____ to _____ p.m.

on _____, 2011.

Thank you,

