# Back to School Parent Planning Tool



Parents and teachers worked harder than ever last year, and we saw that we're stronger when we work together. Teachers are the experts in classroom learning, and parents are the experts on their children. Share what you've noticed about your child with the teacher so they can best connect with them in class.

#### **BEFORE THE CONFERENCE**

# 1 HELP THE TEACHER GET TO KNOW YOUR CHILD

Think about what's most important for the teacher to know about your child.

Share with your child's teacher:

My child is doing well in...

My child needs help with...

#### **BEFORE THE CONFERENCE**

## 2 PINPOINT ACADEMIC PROGRESS

Use the Readiness Check to see how your child is doing with key math and reading skills needed for success this year!

Take note of your child's scores in each subject:

Where did they do well?

Where do they need help?

#### **DURING THE CONFERENCE**

### **3** PARTNER UP ON A PLAN

Find out what is expected of your child this year and make a plan for how to help at home.

Ask your child's teacher and take notes on the following:

How will you help my child make progress in the skills they most need help with?

What are the most important skills my child needs to learn this year?

How can I support these skills at home?



By continuing to pay attention to your child's progress and learning needs, you are preparing them for this year as well as their next big milestones like moving into 4th grade, middle school, and high school.



Through these transitions, and especially during changes like last year, your child is taking on new challenges — and your support makes all the difference. You are your child's learning hero!

For more tips and resources, visit BeALearningHero.org »

