

Massachusetts Advocates for Children

MAC is a private, non-profit child advocacy organization with a special focus on low-income, racially diverse, limited English speaking, and disabled children. MAC has concentrated on public education, child health and welfare, and children's legal rights, with particular attention to special education and reform of the public schools in Boston.

ReadBoston

ReadBoston is a city wide early literacy initiative, founded in 1995 by Mayor Thomas M. Menino and other city leaders as an early literacy campaign with a simple, ambitious mission: to ensure that every child in Boston can read at grade level by the third grade.

Boston Parent Organizing Network

BPON is a citywide initiative established to organize parents and communities as advocates for the improvement of the Boston Public Schools. BPON's objective is to build a network of organizations creating a central connection to exchange ideas, information, and strategies to empower parents and build partnerships to improve the public schools in Boston.

Voices for Children

Voices for Children is a collaborative of parents, students, school, church, and community based organizations that come together to facilitate and reinforce implementation of the new teachers contract, to inform the public, and to hold BPS-BTU accountable for agreements in the contract in order to improve the education of children in the Boston Public Schools.

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Parent Information Bulletin

TEACHING OUR
CHILDREN TO READ

PARENT-TEACHER
PARTNERSHIPS
Series

Helping Your Child Learn to Read

The shared responsibilities of parents and teachers

Questions you can ask your child's teacher

ASK...

Has my child been assessed to know what level (s)he is reading? What are my child's strengths and weaknesses?

What are the books my child is reading?

How much time is my child spending every day:

- ♦ reading?
- ♦ talking about reading?
- ♦ writing about reading?

Do you check to see whether my child understands what (s)he is reading?

My child is interested in _____.

What kind of reading material is there on this? (Newspapers, books, pam-

Reading is the foundation for your child's learning. Parents and teachers need to work together to insure this fundamental right of every child.

What you can do to help your child read well

ASK YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER:

How can I help my child learn more vocabulary words?

What kinds of books should my child be reading?

What should I read to my child?

What books should we read together?

What questions should I ask my child about his/her reading?

Where do I go for help?

IS THERE:

A literacy coach at your child's school?

A librarian at your local library who can help?

An After-School Program?

Individual Tutoring? Where??