

PARENT WORKSHOP WEDNESDAY

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WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO HAVE A DAILY ROUTINE?

- \star Routines typically have a beginning and an end.
- ★ We plan our time around priorities we are creating, and accomplishing those priorities not only for ourselves but for our families.
- ★ The importance of having a routine is knowing what to expect but keeps things open for flexibility.
- ★ The goal is to develop healthy habits that develop independence while increasing positive moods and behavior.

IMPORTANCE OF A SUMMER ROUTINE

"Although schedules may be more" relaxed over the summer, most children benefit from a summer routine as a means of knowing what to expect on a daily basis, which can reduce stress and anxiety. Consistent routine over the summer will also ease the transition back to school routine in the Fall."

TIPS FOR BUILDING A SUMMER ROUTINE

- 1. Add your child to the planning process. It is likely that your child will stick to the routine if they actively participated in the planning process and has a visual aid to refer to throughout the week.
- 2. One of the best ways to stick to a routine is starting in the morning… with breakfast! This will help your child build a regular morning routine that becomes easy to follow.
- 3. Organized activities give your child something to look forward to and expect each week.
- 4. Incorporate learning activities, such as: reading for 15 minutes.
- 5. Bedtime routines are important to help with winding down for the evening. For example: reading before bed instead of screen time.

SUMMER ROUTINE RESOURCE

EXAMPLE OF A SUMMER ROUTINE FOR AN ELEMENTARY STUDENT



TIME	ACTIVITY
8 am	Wake up, get dressed and have breakfast
9 am	Morning Chores
10 am	Reading time
11 am	Play outside or play by yourself
12 pm	Lunch
1 pm	Play outside, watch TV or take a nap
2 pm	Activity from the Summer bucket list
3 pm	Activity from the Summer bucket list
4 pm	Activity from the Summer bucket list
5 pm	Bath time
6 pm	Dinner time + evening chores
7 pm	Electronics time
8 pm	Story time + bed time

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SUMMER ROUTINE RESOURCE

RESOURCES FOR MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

- Summer can be boring, depressing or confusing
- Planning will help with predictability, choice, resources, and options so they don't wake up and play video games for five hours straight or sleep their summer days away.
- What artistic, sports or service/volunteer or work activities might your student be interested in?

• How will your student connect with peers or family outside of your home?

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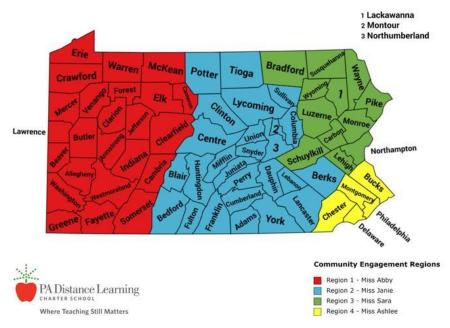
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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

1. COMMUNITY EVENTS PAGE ON THE WEBSITE:

HTTPS://WWW.PADISTANCE.ORG/EVENTS/

2. SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS ALSO HAVE THE MOST UP TO DATE EVENT INFORMATION.

REVIEW

• WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO HAVE A DAILY ROUTINE?

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• SUMMER ROUTINE RESOURCES





THANK YOU FOR JOINING US TODAY!

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