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Upcoming Events



MPB has resumed Workforce Wednesday's in a virtual format. Our next Workforce Wednesday is September 16, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. We will continue every third Wednesday of each month virtually until it safe to meet in person again.

The goal of these meetings is to convene partners, connect with new partners, open dialogue and keep informed about our state's direction with workforce development.

These meetings will be held virtually via Zoom. Click [here](#) for more details.



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Hello Everyone!

***I hope you are having a great school year so far!
Remember to hang in there! I know you are busy bees
and stepping up to the new challenge! YOU GOT THIS!***

***I would like to congratulate the winners of the Fire 7 Kid
Edition Tablets, Tekka Johnson and Megan Brooke!
Also, thank you Amazon Bay Area Ben Chapter for
your donation! For future competitions, visit our MPB
Education Facebook, Twitter and Instagram pages!***

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What is PATT?

Parents Are Teachers Too



Session 3: Let's Talk



PATT is an initiative that focus on families learning together. It's a parent early childhood training support initiative that provides parents of early learners with teaching tools and strategies for working with their children at home that complement their school-day work with hands-on literacy activities to improve outcomes for children in preschool.

For more information on how you can get involved with PATT in your community visit:

<https://education.mpbonline.org/early-childhood/patt/>

What is DEN?



The Digital Education Network (DEN) is a free service to Mississippi schools designed to enhance learning through the utilization of technology. The DEN uses a variety of educational technology to deliver course content, enhance classroom instruction and provide resources not available on the local level. When a school can't find a certified teacher, the DEN network can fill the void. The network assists school districts by offering courses to students regardless of their location. That means a teacher can instruct students assembled in a classroom hundreds of miles away through state-of-the-art technology!

Find out how the DEN network can benefit your school district. Call 1-888-905-7827. Also visit

<https://bit.ly/34QGu1R>

Learning at Home: 5 Steps to Support Authentic Learning Projects

By: Laura Herold and Glenda Revelle



"Mom, I found the tiniest snail ever in the yard!" After a morning of virtual school meetings (and, let's be honest, needing a break myself!), I sent my children outside with no particular plan. I felt guilty that I wasn't able to structure this time, especially with in-person school canceled. I had forgotten that boredom and unstructured play are great for children's creativity, build independence, and offer stress relief.

My son's eyes shone as he leaned in to examine the teeny little creature. In that moment, I was able to take a breath and recognize the spark of interest that holds great opportunity for children's authentic and independent learning — especially during the stressful and disrupted times of COVID-19 when school and learning has been a struggle.

Explore "Authentic Learning" Projects

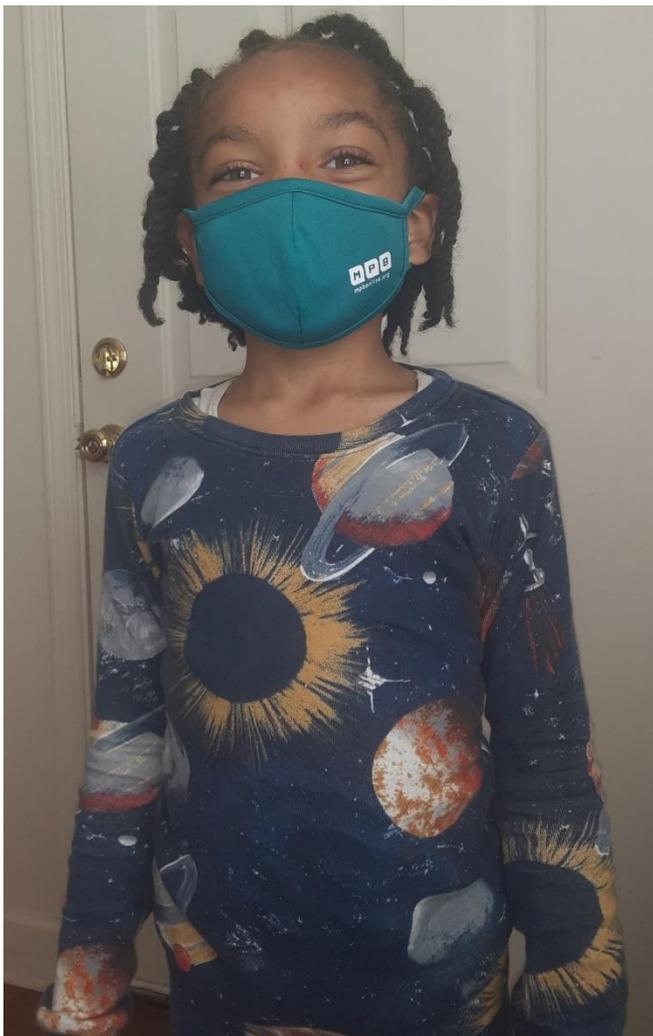
So, what can parents do to support their children's learning at home? The answer can be found in "authentic learning" projects, a natural way for families to engage children in learning.

Authentic learning projects enable kids to explore concepts through meaningful real-world explorations, choosing the topics for learning based on their own interests. The adult then serves as a support person, helping children gather resources, develop approaches to answer their own questions, and pursue their own projects. (Younger children may need more initial guidance in choosing interests.) To read the full article visit:

<https://to.pbs.org/31H1QwW>

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Take a photo of yourself wearing your mask and tag us at MPB Education on all of our social media platforms! Include #MaskUpWithMPBEducation.





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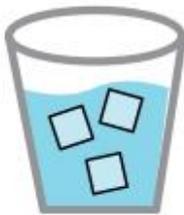
Caring for Someone



Ask an adult what you can do to be helpful today.



Kindness is Everywhere



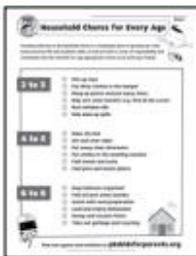
Remind your family to drink plenty of water.



What Are the Traits of a Great Hero?



Practice calming down. Take three deep breaths in and out, and count to five.



Household Chores for Every Age



Read a book to a family member.



Encouragement Cards

Grades 1-2

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