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Three tips to help kids stay on top of homework



(StatePoint) When a new school year begins, most teachers don't wait long before they begin scheduling tests, and assigning loads of homework and reading assignments. Here are three tips for helping kids stay on top of all their coursework:

1. Focus on organization: One of the most valuable life skills a student can develop while in school is time management. Teach kids how to prioritize assignments with upcoming deadlines and those which are easy to knock off their to-do list. Encourage them to find an organizational tool, such as an academic planner or calendar, that works for them. Depending on their preferences and learning style, they may prefer to use app-based tools. The important thing is that they always know what is on their to-do list and when it must be completed by. If they are struggling, help them chunk their afternoon into segments so that they budget enough time for each of their tasks.
2. Equip them with high-quality math tools: Math can be a frustrating subject for many students. To make learning simpler, equip them with tools that are incredibly easy to

use. With Natural Textbook Display and an intuitive icon menu, the fx-9750GIII graphing calculator from Casio is a solid, affordable choice for quickly grasping new mathematical concepts. And because it features nearly 3,000 functions, including graph plotting, probability distribution, vector arithmetic and spreadsheets, students at all levels will find it an invaluable tool, particularly during test-taking season, as its exam mode makes it approved for the SAT, PSAT, ACT and AP tests. The fx-9750GIII is also capable of programming in CASIO Basic and MicroPython, and Python files are easily stored and transferred via USB to a computer.

3. Set boundaries: As a parent, it's essential that you support your child in their academic pursuits, however being too hands-on during homework time could lead them to rely on you to provide them with answers, not guidance. While this approach may mean they turn their assignments in on time, if they aren't absorbing the material themselves they could quickly fall behind in the classroom. Set clear boundaries about what your after-school role will be and stick to it. You can also foster your child's independence and confidence by helping them differentiate between reliable educational resources and misinformation.

With the right tools and habits, students can keep up with their assignments and make the most of their study time.

(StatePoint) At a time of declining enrollment and rising college costs, extra support of historically Black colleges and universities (HBCUs) can give more young people a chance at a bright future.

"HBCUs nurture the success of tomorrow's leaders. That's why investing in the HBCU community is critically important," says Dewey Norwood, senior diversity and inclusion consultant at Wells Fargo.

In fact, since 2011, Wells Fargo has provided more than \$40 million directly to HBCUs and to organizations that support them, including the United Negro College Fund, the Thurgood Marshall College Fund and the Jackie Robinson Foundation. And this fall, Wells Fargo will be continuing a spate of initiatives and launching additional ones all with the goal of helping HBCUs, their students, and their broader communities thrive. Here's what to know:

Preparing for kick-off with HBCU Football Classics: For the third year in a row, Wells Fargo will serve as the official banking sponsor of several football games, including the following:

- Orange Blossom Classic (Miami, FL) on September 1: North Carolina Central University vs. Alabama State University
- HBCU NY Classic (East Rutherford, NJ) on September 14: Howard University vs. Morehouse College
- Florida Classic (Orlando, FL) on November 23: Florida A&M University vs. Bethune Cookman University
- Bayou Classic (New Orleans, LA) on November 30: Southern University vs. Grambling State University

As part of sponsoring four games this year, Wells Fargo will offer virtual webinar workshops on such topics as financial health, housing opportunities, leveraging name, image and likeness (NIL) opportunities for college athletes, paying for college, small business and entrepreneurship education, recruiting and

talent acquisition, estate planning, and elder fraud prevention. Workshops are open to all students, alumni and fans looking to advance their financial knowledge or grow their business. On the ground at each event, Wells Fargo will have an interactive booth set-up at the fan-fest events. Employees will be able to engage with fans before the games to provide information about Wells Fargo, including career opportunities, in a fun environment.

Customizing financial education for student-athletes: Game Plan, the comprehensive, intuitive mobile-first learning management system built by student-athletes for student-athletes, offers free financial education to all 1,200 American collegiate athletic departments - including those at 107 HBCUs.

"HBCU student-athletes are expected to juggle classes, games, practices, meetings and other commitments. Making educational content critical to their life skills development available in one easy-to-access digital platform is helping position students for future financial success," says Norwood.

Show your HBCU pride: HBCU supporters can show off their fandom by customizing their Wells Fargo debit card for free with their favorite HBCU design through the bank's HBCU Legends Collection. Honoring the rich heritage of the nation's HBCUs features 44 designs.

Insights and advice: Wells Fargo supports HBCUs by serving as a resource for parents and students. Check out their tips for paying for school:

1. Seek external scholarships. Scholarship opportunities abound, including those aimed at supporting Black students.
2. Don't be dissuaded by sticker shock. Filling out the FAFSA each year can help your family access thousands of dollars in financial aid.
3. Exhaust all options. Before taking out a student loan, consider other possibilities first, including the school's financial aid package and private grants. The goal is to graduate with as little debt as possible.

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