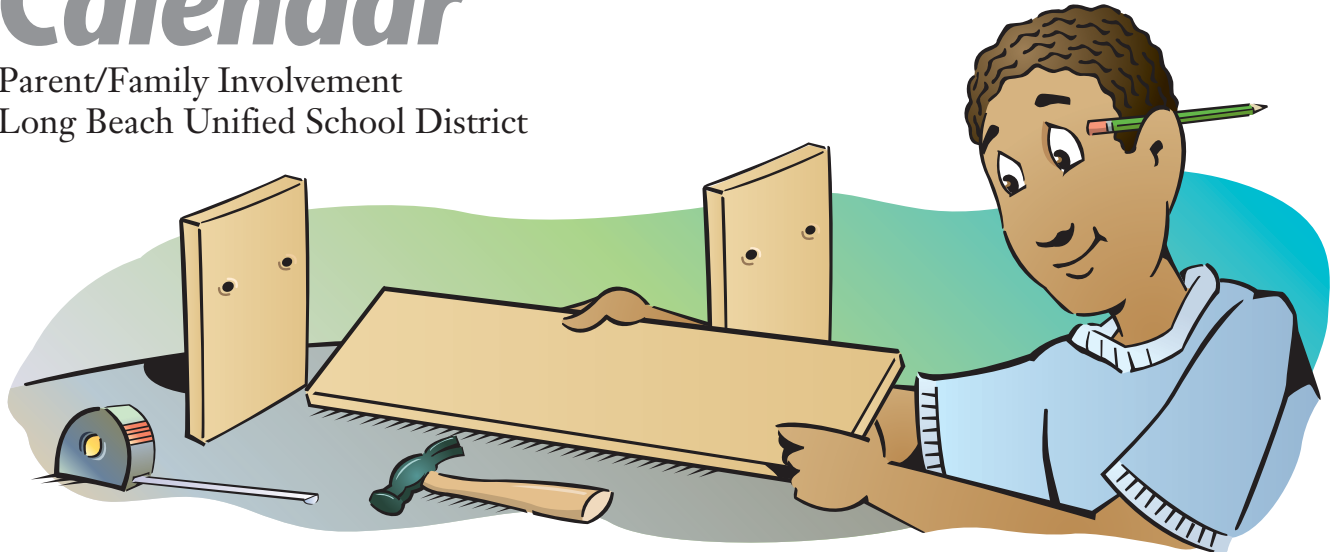


# Parent Pointers

## Calendar

Parent/Family Involvement  
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High School  
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> This month, make plans to attend a community or school board meeting with your teen.	<b>2</b> Help your teen draw up a résumé, even if she's young. List awards, jobs and volunteer service.	<b>3</b> Have your teen research how and when he can register to vote.	<b>4</b> Do your "homework" alongside your teen—pay bills, write letters or read.	<b>5</b> Don't wait for your teen to raise the subject of AIDS. Look for a TV show or news story to open the topic.	<b>6</b> Is your teen a visual learner? Have her make posters or flash cards to help with memorizing.	<b>7</b> Is your teen an auditory learner? Have him tape record key ideas, then listen to them as he studies.
<b>8</b> Look for a new skill or hobby to learn with your teen. It's a great way to get to know your teen on a new level.	<b>9</b> One night this week, sit down and watch your teen's favorite TV show with her. Then talk about it afterward.	<b>10</b> Before engaging in conflict, ask, "Is this really an issue that is worth a major battle? Or is compromise possible?"	<b>11</b> Help your teen set priorities. Homework and chores come before work, TV and spending time with friends.	<b>12</b> It's the birthday of suffragist Elizabeth Cady Stanton. Talk about how women's roles are changing.	<b>13</b> Lots of homework? Your teen should tackle the toughest assignment first.	<b>14</b> If your teen doesn't already do his own laundry, teach him.
<b>15</b> Look for a volunteer activity you can do as a family.	<b>16</b> This is American Education Week. Try to visit your teen's school this week.	<b>17</b> It's Geography Awareness Week. Quiz each other on state, province and world capitals at dinner tonight.	<b>18</b> When you're at the library, get the URL of the library's home page. Encourage your teen to check it out.	<b>19</b> Ask to see your teen's homework. Talk about the useful knowledge she is acquiring for life.	<b>20</b> Have your teen practice estimation. How long to finish this assignment? How far can I go on a tank of gas?	<b>21</b> Cut out an article or comic strip your teen will enjoy. Leave it by her place at breakfast.
<b>22</b> Give your teen a camera and ask her to record "A day in the life of our family."	<b>23</b> If your teen comes home with a bad report card, try not to get angry. Instead, help him set clear goals.	<b>24</b> Does your teen want a car? Have him do a cost analysis. Be sure to include insurance and maintenance.	<b>25</b> Let your teen study with two colors of highlighters. One for important principles, the other specific facts.	<b>26</b> Make it a "No TV" night tonight. Read as a family instead.	<b>27</b> Is there a college nearby? Make plans to visit it with your teen.	<b>28</b> Most teens have their first drinks at home. If you use alcohol, lock it up when you aren't around.
<b>29</b> Invite your teen to bring a friend along to the movies, and allow them to sit separately. Discuss it afterwards.	<b>30</b> It's Mark Twain's birthday. Check out one of his books. Take turns reading it aloud with your teen.	<h1>November 2009</h1>				