

STUDENT DATEBOOK IMPLEMENTATION

A NEW BEGINNING

Each new school year offers an opportunity for a fresh start, a different approach, a chance to make a change. This is true for everyone who is a part of the educational setting.

Administrators have the chance to institute programs that will build morale, develop positive faculty and staff involvement, provide for an environment that contributes to higher scores, and guide student successes.

Teachers make plans to actively engage their students in the educational process; they embrace the possibility of setting a tone in their classrooms that encourages creative thinking and active learning. They approach each new year with the same enthusiasm that made them choose education as their life's work.

Students, too, imagine the possibilities: improving their class rank, making the grade to save a year, gaining more time (or a semester early), providing the world of work with their skills, their chances of being accepted into a college or university, earning a scholarship, and becoming the kind of student they know they can be.

Parents willingly assume the challenging role of facilitator in helping to provide for a productive school year. Parents realize that a new school year is another chance to make a difference in the life of their child, to help their child succeed, to lay the foundation for a productive life.

"The art of teaching is the art of assisting discovery."

~ Mark Van Doren



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School Datebooks

THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER

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Everyone is busy, probably busier than ever before in a society that is multi-faceted.

There are jobs that require more than the designated 40-hour work week, and many of them require time, energy, and emotional fortitude; social obligations that may or may not be relaxing; and personal goals that need time and attention. In the process, a giant juggling act ensues, a juggling act that may or may not be successful.

Students are not natural-born jugglers. They do not inherently know how to organize; they possess very few innate time management skills.

They need to be taught how to handle the time commitments in their world: extracurricular activities associated with sports, dramatic presentations, musical performances, club activities; community activities involving special interest organizations, church youth groups; personal activities with friends and family; part-time jobs; family responsibilities.

Proper training in the use of a datebook will help students achieve their goals efficiently and effectively. Not only will a datebook enhance a student's daily schedule, but it will also help them achieve their specific educational goals as well.