

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, raising their grade point average, graduating on time – or a semester early, moving into the world of work, improving their chances of being accepted into a college or university, earning a scholarship – 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, realizing that a new school year is another chance to help their children in the life of their child, to help their child succeed, to lay the foundation for a productive life.

*"The dream begins,
most of the time, with
a teacher who believes
in you."*

~ Dan Kather

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THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER School Datebooks

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

There are jobs that require more than the designated 40 hour work week; family commitments that 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 juggle. They possess very few time management skills.

They need to be taught how to handle the time commitments in their world: extra-curricular activities associated with sports, dramatic presentations, music or instrumental 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 help them achieve their specific educational goals as well.

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