

As a Parent, I Promise...

- To read to my child because children learn from good stories to be compassionate; to treat others as persons, not objects; to have courage; to have hope; to take action; and to take responsibility.
- To promote my child's self-esteem by giving him opportunities to build competence and confidence; by giving her specific praise for her work and displaying it for others to see; by letting him share in family responsibilities and decisions.
- To encourage my child's curiosity and natural interest in science and math because all children need to learn both and all children can; to engage with my child in activities to observe and discover so she can see that science and math are part of our everyday lives.
- To pay attention to TV when my child is watching; to introduce him to programs like "Reading Rainbow," "Ghostwriter," and "Mister Rogers;" and to watch TV together so we can talk about what we see.
- To turn off the television more because both child and adult programs include enormous amounts of glamorized violence.
- To be involved in my child's education throughout the school years by showing in every way that I think education is important; by talking with my child's teachers; by volunteering my time and talent to the school.
- To enjoy my child as we grow and learn together.