Conversation Starters

The Family Day Parent Toolkit provides tools for enriching and strengthening conversations with your children. We have developed a series of conversation starters you can use, organized by age. The conversation starters were designed to make it especially hard for your child to reply with one-word answers!

Try these out with your children. We invite you to share your successes, tips, challenges and even failures with us on our Family Day Facebook page.

Easy Questions for Busy Families

Elementary School (Ages 8-10)

Favorites

- Who is your best friend? Why is he/she your best friend?
- What is your favorite subject in school? Why?
- What is your favorite holiday? Why?
- Who is your favorite superhero? Why?
- Who is your favorite teacher? What does he/she do that makes you happy?

Likes

- What games do you like to play during recess?
 Do you like playing alone or with friends?
- If you could be a character from a fairy tale, who would you be?

- What's the funniest joke you have ever heard?
- If you could have any pet, what animal would you pick?
- What do you like most about our family?
- What's the luckiest thing that has ever happened to you?

Future Aspirations

What do you want to be when you grow up?
 What about that makes it sound like fun?

Middle School (Ages 10-12)

Favorites

- · Who is your favorite musical artist? Why?
- What is your favorite book? Why?
- What is your favorite thing to do with your friends?
- Who is your personal hero? Why do you admire them?
- Who are your favorite teachers? How do they inspire you?

Open Ended Questions

- How would you describe your perfect day?
- If you could change one thing in the world, what would it be?
- What do you like most about yourself?
- What qualities do you value most in a friend?

Future Aspirations

What do you want to be when you grow up?
 What do you think it takes to become that?



