

Helping you get the most from parent-teacher conferences

2022-2023
Lower School

Knowing each child as an individual is core to St. Andrew's mission and critical in helping each student realize their potential as a learner.

1. BEFORE YOUR CONFERENCES

Take a moment to reflect on your Hopes and Dreams conversation with your child's teacher, and jot your thoughts below. For example, what are your child's current strengths, challenges, and passions? How do you hope your child will grow this year?

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▶ What learning goals has your child shared with you?

▶ What do you see emerging as potential strengths this year?

▶ What challenges have arisen as your child started the year?

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What does your child say? *Reflect or summarize in the space below.*

Ask your child about each specific class. For example:

- Where are you successful currently? What are the current challenges for you?
- What do you think your teacher will tell me about you and how you're doing?
- How comfortable do you feel asking your teacher for help?
- What would you like me to share with teachers about how homework is going for us this year?
- Do you have a question for your teacher?

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2. DURING YOUR CONFERENCES

Homeroom Teacher:

Current observations:

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Suggested strategies:

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EMERGING TRENDS *Use this space to jot down notes on any trends you see emerging.*

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Specials Class:

Current observations:

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Suggested strategies:

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3. AFTER YOUR CONFERENCES

Before deciding what to do next, try this thinking routine to help you unpack today:

3,2,1, Challenge



Choose **three** words that best capture what you heard about your child today:



Write down **two** insights from teachers that connect with what you already know about your child.



Write down **one** new insight that you have made about your child.



What might be the **challenge** for your child moving forward this year?

Complete the loop

What were the overarching themes from today?

What do you want to share with your child? What do you want your child to share with you?

What's next for your child? What's next for you?

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