

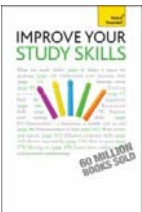
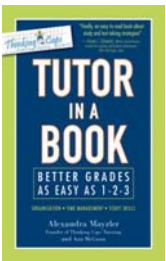


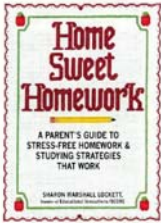
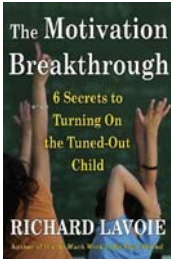
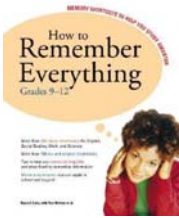
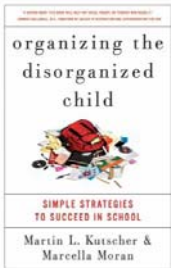
A Selected List of Resources for Parents and the Community
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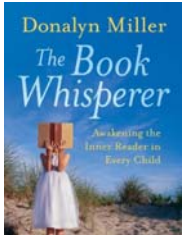
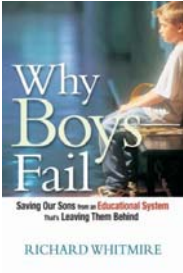
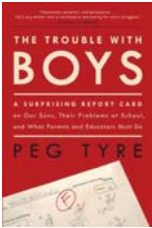
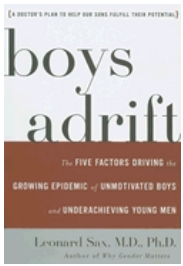
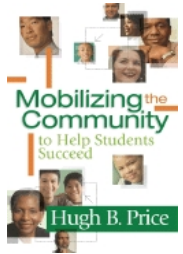
This list of resources below can get you started in helping your student be successful through high school graduation and beyond. Also try searching for more books and articles using these subject headings:

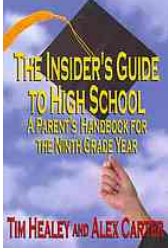
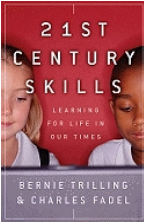
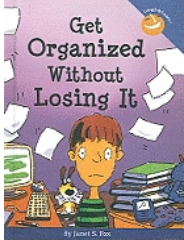
- Parent Participation (Education)
- Students - Time Management
- Study Skills
- Reading Comprehension
- Academic Achievement
- Motivation in Education
- Achievement Motivation
- Success – Psychological Aspects
- High School Drop Outs - Prevention

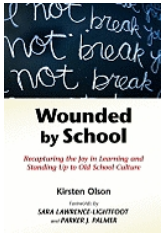
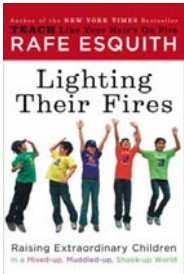
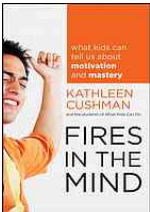
BOOKS

 <p>The cover of the book "Improve Your Study Skills" by Bernice Walmsley features a white background with a central graphic of five colored pencils (purple, blue, green, yellow, orange) fanning out. The title "IMPROVE YOUR STUDY SKILLS" is at the top, and "60 MILLION BOOKS SOLD" is at the bottom.</p>	<p>Improve Your Study Skills / Bernice Walmsley Practical advice on how to maximize your study time.</p>
 <p>The cover of the book "Tutor in a Book: Better Grades as Easy as 1-2-3" by Alexandra Mayzler and Ana McGann has a blue background with a yellow border. The title "TUTOR IN A BOOK" is in large white letters, and "BETTER GRADES AS EASY AS 1-2-3" is below it. The authors' names are at the bottom.</p>	<p>Tutor in a book : Better Grades as Easy as 1-2-3 : Organization, Time Management, Study Skills / Alexandra Mayzler and Ana McGann</p>

	<p>Painless Study Techniques / Michael Greenberg ; illustrations by Michele Earle-Bridges</p> <p>Suggests ways to stop procrastinating and advice on how to approach such difficult subjects as foreign language textbooks and essay exams</p>
	<p>Home, Sweet Homework : A Parent's Guide to Stress-free Homework & Studying Strategies that Work / Sharon Marshall Lockett</p> <p>Tips and how to advice for parents of reluctant students.</p>
	<p>The Motivation Breakthrough : 6 Secrets to Turning on the Tuned-out Child / Richard Lavoie</p> <p>A guide for parents, educators, and caregivers on how to inspire unmotivated children identifies teaching strategies that can be applied to a variety of personality types, in a resource that explains how adults can become healthy and work-oriented role models.</p>
	<p>How to Remember Everything : Memory Shortcuts to Help You Study Smarter (Grades9-12) / by Russell Kahn with Tom Meltzer</p> <p>Looks at strategies to improve academic performance, provides tips on memorizing long lists, and offers two hundred mnemonics to help remember historical events, spelling rules, math formulas, and other types of information in science, math, social studies, and English.</p>
	<p>Organizing the Disorganized child : Simple Strategies to Succeed in School / Martin L. Kutscher and Marcella Moran</p> <p>Not all kids organize the same way! This essential toolkit for parents and educators factors organizational styles into the equation, and offers effective strategies that deliver amazing long-term results.</p>
	<p>Smart but Scattered : The Revolutionary "executive skills" Approach to Helping Kids Reach their Potential / Peg Dawson, Richard Guare</p> <p>The latest research in child development shows that many kids who have the brain and heart to succeed lack or lag behind in crucial "executive skills"--the fundamental habits of mind required for getting organized, staying focused, and controlling impulses and emotions. Learn easy-to-follow steps to identify your child's strengths and weaknesses, use activities and techniques proven to boost specific skills, and problem-solve daily routines</p>

	<p>That Crumpled Paper was Due Last Week : Helping Disorganized and Distracted Boys Succeed in School and Life / Ana Homayoun</p> <p>Most boys needs to be taught how to get organized, how to study, and how to visualize, embrace and meet their own goals. Academic counselor gives advice to help unfocused boys become successful young people.</p>
	<p>The Book Whisperer : Awakening the Inner Reader in Every Child / Donalyn Miller</p> <p>Miller's unconventional approach dispenses with drills and worksheets that make reading a chore. Instead, she helps students navigate the world of literature and gives them time to read books they pick out themselves. Includes a dynamite list of recommended "kid lit" that helps parents and teachers find the books that students really like to read.</p>
	<p>Why Boys Fail : Saving our Sons from an Educational System that's Leaving them Behind / Richard Whitmire ; foreword by Michelle Rhee</p> <p>Looks at the downward slide of the academic achievement of boys, offering analysis of the reasons for the decline and strategies to promote literacy and academic success</p>
	<p>The Trouble with Boys: A Surprising Report on our Sons, their problems at school and what parents and educators must do / Peg Tyre</p> <p>By eighth grade huge numbers of boys are reading below basic level. Perhaps most alarmingly, boys now account for less than 43 percent of those enrolled in college with the gap widening. This mother of two sons, offers the testimony of teachers and school officials who are trying new techniques to motivate boys to learn again.</p>
	<p>Boys Adrift : The Five Factors Driving the Growing Epidemic of Unmotivated Boys and Underachieving Young Men / Leonard Sax</p> <p>Boys nationwide are increasingly dropping out of school; fewer are going to college; and for the first time in American history, women are outnumbering men at undergraduate institutions three to two. family physician and research psychologist Dr. Leonard Sax delves into the scientific literature and draws on his vast clinical experience to propose an entirely original view of why boys and young men are failing in school and at home.</p>
	<p>Mobilizing the Community to Help students Succeed / Hugh B. Price</p> <p>How the community can help boost student motivation and celebrate student achievement.</p>

	<p>Drive : 9 ways to motivate your kids to achieve / Janine Walker Caffrey Designed to assist parents, educators, and counselors to get kids of all ages off the couch and into the world, nationally renowned educator Dr. Janine Caffrey outlines nine specific steps proven to beat boredom and foster self-motivation and resourcefulness and develop the vital characteristic – drive.</p>
	<p>A parents' guide to the middle school years / Joe Bruzese The middle school years can and should be a time of exciting change and opportunity. Timely topics include cyberbullying, depression, and choosing realistic and rewarding extracurricular activities that help keep your teenager involved and motivated in and out of school.</p>
	<p>The insider's guide to high school : a parent's handbook for the ninth grade year / by Tim Healey and Alex Carter The ninth grade year is both a critical juncture in a student's academic and social development and a difficult period for parents, as they must learn to approach their children as teenagers while still maintaining the necessary control and guidance to ensure their teenager's directed growth and success.</p>
	<p>21st Century Skills: Learning for Life in Our Times / Bernie Trilling and Charles Fadel Maps out the skills needed to survive and thrive in a complex and connected world. 21st Century content includes the basic core subjects of reading, writing, and arithmetic-but also emphasizes global awareness, financial/economic literacy, and health issues</p>
	<p>Get Organized Without Losing it / Janet S. Fox Provides students with tips on ways to manage their time, locker, and desk, and get organized</p>
	<p>Your Child's Strengths : Discover them, Develop them, Use them / Jenifer Fox Rather than focusing on identifying and "fixing" kids' weaknesses--this book gives parents and teachers the tools to discover the student's strengths in three main areas: activity, relationship and learning.</p>

	<p>Wounded by School: Recapturing the joy in learning and standing up to old school culture / Kirsten Olson Exposes the devastating consequences of an educational approach that values conformity over creativity, flattens students' interests, and dampens down differences among learners showing what teachers, parents, and students can do to change this.</p>
	<p>Lighting Their Fires : Raising Extraordinary Kids in a Mixed-up, Muddled-up, Shook-up World / Rafe Esquith One of the most celebrated educators teaches parents how to create extraordinary children--in the classroom and beyond</p>
	<p>Fires in the Mind: What Kids Can Tell us about Motivation and Mastery / Kathleen Cushman Teenagers from widely diverse backgrounds join a cutting-edge dialogue with adults about the development of mastery in and out of school. Includes practical tips for educators and parents.</p>

DVDs

Common Sense Parenting. Volume 6, Helping kids succeed in school / produced by the Common Sense Parenting Program at Boys Town ; produced in cooperation with Banyan Communications ; producer, Barbara Lonnborg

How to Become a Superstar Student. Volume 1, A philosophy of learning, the right attitude / the Teaching Company Limited Partnership

The Learning Journal and Effective Study Habits / The Teaching Company Limited Partnership.

Trevor Romain's Real Life Strategies. How to do homework without throwing up (grades 2-8)

7 Secrets of Savvy Students : Study Smarter, Not Harder / produced and hosted by Justin Baer

5 Steps to Study Skills Success / Smith Show Entertainment

Becoming an Organized Student / Human Relations Media Inc.

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ORGANIZATIONS

WATCH D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) is the father involvement initiative of the National Center for Fathering that organizes fathers and father figures in order to provide positive male role models for the students and to enhance school security.

www.fathers.com/watchdogs

National Women's Law Center working for education reforms that will help improve graduation rates and post-secondary success for all students, particularly girls of color, who are dropping out of school at high rates.

www.nwlc.org/dropout