

7 Ways to Improve Parent Teacher Conferences

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Let the parent set the tone. Ask how they think the year is going first before telling.

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Increase the Role of the Child.
Decrease the Role of Data.

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Relinquish your expert status. Recognize the parent as the expert on their Child.

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Don't be just a gradebook keeper. Convey what you are teaching students that is important in life.

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Focus on where students are going, not where they are.

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Understand the parents as human beings.
Be compassionate and empathetic.

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Give parents hope as they exit. Give parents something positive to work on or grow on.