Transcript: Transitioning to a K12-Powered School

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children.

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smooth for you and your family.

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school day that belongs to your student.

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mortar, is a big change for a family.

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This transition can be challenging, and

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most families say it takes time to get settled.

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it's gonna be possibly something very new to you.

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where to log on to, what are the Class Connect schedules like.

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Maybe even how to interact in a Class Connect session.

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that comes along with that,

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I would say if you haven't felt like you're completely comfortable into it,

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you made this choice.

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Why it is so important to you and your family.

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You and your child are surrounded by

professionals who are dedicated to helping

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your student reach his or her true personal potential.

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You are not alone.

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Help is available.

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JENNIFER: Ask lots of questions.

[00:01:58.440]

You're not alone,

your student is not alone.

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And we are 100% for your student and we want the best for them.

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DARREN: Regardless of your student's age or grade level, you or

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a trusted adult need to be involved as his or her learning coach.

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A learning coach in the household paying the appropriate level of attention,

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given the child's age and maturity, is critical to student success.

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Keeping your student on track,

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ensuring that they are focusing on what is expected is essential.

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you need to help them with handwriting.

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There are so many components of education that when you're a learning coach,

[00:02:44.639]

it's all hands on.

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You're helping them to move from this dependent learner, student,

[00:02:50.280]

on you, to an independent learner who's able to get up and

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move through their work without you.

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DARREN: Openly communicate with

your child's teacher and

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be proactive when you have concerns.

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JENNIFER: As you go along, if there's still concerns and there are still issues,

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make sure you let us know, make sure you talk to us.

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mortar schools are just as important when schooling at home.

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distractions to quickly take us off task.

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Causing conflict when school work is not completed and motivation runs out.

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Talk as a family about shared goals and expectations.

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Create a plan and organize systems that set your family up for success.

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This is a critical step,

[00:03:43.123]

as you child better understands everyone's role in this new way of schooling.

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Including that throughout the school week, your role will have to shift from parent,

[00:03:51.242]

guardian to learning coach.

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DESIREE: Maybe you're not even used to being around each other all that much,

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as much as you used to.

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So that even takes a little adjustment sometimes.

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I would say give it all time.

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I do hear a lot of people say, oh I don't know how you do it.

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I could never do that.

[00:04:08.052]

But you can.

[00:04:09.775]

And change takes time.

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And I would say, even a year down the road, you'll enjoy it a lot different than

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when you first started six months prior or maybe even when you first started.

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DARREN: You and your student have resources available to you.

[00:04:26.683]

Your K12-powered school and K12 are here to support you and

[00:04:29.739]

partner with you on this important journey.

[00:04:32.390]

Take advantage of these resources, supports, and

[00:04:35.233]

the opportunities to socialize within your virtual academy.

[00:04:38.667]

The larger K12 network of learners, and within your own local community.

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JENNIFER: Kids need to be kids, they need to socialize, they need to be

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with each other, and that's a huge part of their development and learning.

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And so we do offer a multiple amount of K12-wide clubs, as well as state clubs.

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ELAYNA: I am in a self created club called a Puppies Club.

[00:05:01.480]

Hey guys, and welcome to Puppies Club today.

[00:05:04.460]

There's something called Lunch Bunch,

[00:05:06.449]

which is a Class Connect kids can log into.

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And there's also breakout rooms, where I host a club and

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some other students host their own student-made clubs.

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DARREN: Seasoned parents and learning coaches also share the importance of not only

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enjoying the social opportunities offered by your K12 powered schools, but

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also to ensure you create additional social opportunities for

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your student, beyond his and her school experience.

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Whether it is being on a local sports team, member of a drama or dance troop,

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I hope you have found these tips and perspectives from long time learning

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coaches to be helpful as you and your student transition.

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Remember, you are not alone.

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You and your student are surrounded by passionate professionals

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who are dedicated to help every student reach his or her true personal potential.

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Together we will maximize every school day that belongs to your child.

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