# 3 ways to engage your child in parent-teacher conferences



## 1. Talk with your child before the conference.

#### Ask questions like:

- What's going well for you at school? What's hard for you at school?
- What do you want me to tell your teacher?
- What do you think your teacher will share with me?

## 2. Involve your child in the conference.

Ask the teacher if your child can go to the conference. If it's OK, then...

- Tell your child that this conference isn't just for adults. It's important for kids to talk about their learning, too.
- Invite your child to bring a list of accomplishments from the school year.
- If there are sensitive topics, excuse your child while you talk with the teacher privately. You can talk with your child about those topics later.

## 3. Talk with your child after the conference.

- Talk together about the main topics from the conference.
- Use real-life examples to explain any concerns the teacher brought up.
- Give your child time to think about the information.
- Invite your child to ask questions.

#### Read more at u.org/child-parent-teacher-conference

