

Next Generation's Success and Our Own Influence

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Overview

- **Difference between us and our children**
- **Our influence**
- **How do we measure them**

Chinese School Organization and Our Next Generation

- ***Chinese school organizations will play a critical role in influencing our next generation.***
- ***We must realize that Chinese school organizations have broader responsibilities than just teaching language.***
- ***Chinese school is a community core.***

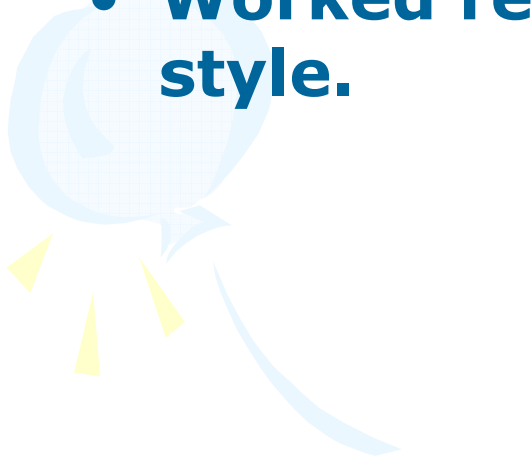


Influencing Our Children

- ***Realize the difference: We are immigrants. Our children are not.***



1st Generation Immigrants

- **Neutralized citizens.**
 - **Experienced some sort of hardship in life.**
 - **Worked really hard to achieve today's life style.**
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Life Stages of 1st Immigrants

- **Hesitation and Struggle**
- **Settlement --The Start of Rewards**
- **Establishing -- Stabilizing Socially and Economically**
- **Leading and Contributing -- Influencing the Community and Society**

Our Children

- ***Most of them are born here.***
- ***They grow up with other fellow Americans.***
- ***They attend the same school and are educated in the same system.***
- ***Their house is not any smaller than their friends'.***
- ***Their family seems as affluent as their friends'.***
- ***So most of them don't see any difference between them and the main stream Americans.***
- ***Most of them enjoy the abundant life rather than cherish what they have today.***
- ***The Challenge: how to positively influence our next generation so that they take full advantage of the opportunity and build up on our success.***



Next Generation's Success

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- ***Health***
 - ***Behaviors***
 - ***Responsibilities***
 - ***Performance***
 - ***Achievement***

Building Role Model

➤ **Celebrities and stars**

- **How do they select whom they want to be when they grow up?**
 - **Media (TV, Newspapers, etc.)**
 - **School, class rooms**
 - **Friends**
 - **Whom they can associate with**
 - **Parents**
 - **The way that we act socially**
 - **Our altitude toward others**
 - **Our altitude at job and home**
 - **The way that we organize things**
 - **Our value system**

➤ **Our influence**

- **Take time to talk about it – you will be surprised how much they know**
- **Offer your opinion based on facts**
- **Be patient and avoid confrontation**



Building Trust

- ***Encourage two way communication; provide opportunity for children to express, explain and argue; democracy and mutual respect are healthy to positive influence.***
- ***Be careful when expressing doubts about their story and interrogation is extremely harmful.***
- ***Focus on the positive, allow mistakes and apprise progress.***
- ***Less comparison and less criticism; take pride in what they do and who they are. Foster confidence.***
- ***Be consistent, accountable, and follow up with actions.***





Expanding Social Skills

- ***Provide them options to choose their own friends and encourage diversity***
- ***Encourage athletics (competitiveness, confidence, and friends)***
- ***Teach them generosity***
- ***Expose them to a variety of social events***
- ***Encourage them to participate or take lead in community activities, and at school***



About Performance

- ***Performance is not just about academic excellence.***
 - ***Focus on their overall development.***
 - ***Don't be the never-satisfied parents. Be positive and always look at the bright side.***
 - ***Understand that children have stress at school, as we do at work.***
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Maintain Our Own Cultural Value

//the integrated pattern of human knowledge, belief, and behavior that depends upon man's capacity for learning and transmitting knowledge to succeeding generations//

- **Admit that we are different from others.**
- **Be proud of who you are.**
- **Teach our children traditional Chinese values, while building their pride with history and new development.**
- **Be good at your own language.**



Learn with Your Children

➤ *Being Open-minded and improving ourselves*

○ *Learn with your children and also from them*

○ *Increase your general knowledge outside work*



Invest in Your Children

➤ ***Build relationship with TIME...***



Closing Remarks

➤ *The Challenge: how to positively influence our next generation so that they take full advantage of the opportunity and build up on our success.*

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