

Is Your Child Ready for Success?

Find out by taking the Student Success Readiness Assessment

As parents, we're all proud of our children and look for the very best in them. We want to think of our children as bright, capable individuals who possess the knowledge and ability to succeed. At the same time, we worry about exposing them to the harsh realities of life and the competition that exists in both the academic and professional realms. As our economy becomes an increasingly global one, it's our duty to ensure that our children are equipped with the necessary study skills to achieve academic success. Find out if your child is indeed ready for success by taking our success readiness test. Simply read each question and rate your child's ability in the area addressed on a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being completely lacking and 5 being ideal. Be as honest as possible in your evaluation in order to receive an accurate assessment. Then, use the score calculator found at the end of the test to determine your child's level of success readiness.

- 1. How would you rate your child's ability to approach school activities and assignments with a positive attitude and confidence?**
- 2. Does your child handle adversity and challenges with enthusiasm or give up easily? Think of a recent challenge and your child's reaction to it.**
- 3. Does your child know how to set goals? Are these goals specific, measurable and time-bound?**
- 4. How well can your child create an action plan to achieve their goals? An action plan should ideally translate into a weekly schedule of task and activities.** Think about how many goals your child has set and achieved in the last six months.
- 5. Is your child motivated enough to be proactive and to complete activities before deadlines or does he or she procrastinate?** Try to recall a recent study skill your child implemented—how long did he/she stick with it?
- 6. Does your child identify with success, mediocrity, or failure? Does your child take pride in a job well done or chastise him or herself often?** Does he/she regularly express pride in academic success and personal accomplishments?
- 7. How would you rate your child's ability to prioritize tasks?** Does he/she become easily overwhelmed by a lengthy to-do list, or is your child capable of easily determining which task on the list needs to be accomplished first and why?
- 8. How well does your child manage time?** Does he/she remain focused on the task at hand and use time wisely, or is your child easily distracted? Does your child try to juggle multiple things at the same time and compromise the quality of his or her deliverables?
- 9. How proficient is your child at making decisions about school and relationships?** Does he/she depend on others to make decisions, or is your child decisive?
- 10. Does your child know how to act on a decision they make and follow it through to completion?**

11. **How well does your child respond to stress?** Does he/she become easily frustrated and anxious, or is your child able to deal with stress in a positive way and even use it to his/her advantage?
12. **Does your child know of and practice any stress reduction techniques regularly?**
13. Does your child become easily frustrated when asked to memorize things?
14. **How often does your child use memory strategies or mnemonic devices like visualization or association to recall facts and dates?** How successful have these study skills been in improving your child's academic success?
15. **How proficient is your child in recalling numbers?** Is he or she good at remembering dates and mathematical figures?
16. **How well does your child perform when asked to recall a list of items in order?** For example, would he/she be able to easily memorize the U.S. Presidents in order of election or Shakespeare's major plays in order of production?
17. **How successful has your child been in the past at spelling, vocabulary, and/or foreign languages?** Does he/she learn these subjects easily or struggle in these areas?
18. **How well is your child at remembering names and faces?**
19. **Does your child know and understand his/her own learning style? Is your child aware of how he or she learns best?** Does he/she use this information regularly to learn and achieve academic success?
20. **How capable is your child when it comes to identifying, understanding, and solving problems?** Is he/she able to analyze a problem and evaluate the pros and cons of various solutions?
21. **How equipped is your child with the necessary research skills to complete an assignment independently?** Does he/she know any research techniques? Is your child capable of identifying credible and relevant sources of information?
22. How much time does your child spend reading for pleasure?
23. Does your child read and comprehend with speed, or is his/her reading pace slower than other same-aged children?
24. **Does your child handle writing assignments well and get good grades?** Does he or she enjoy writing and excel in this area or avoid writing and make less than satisfactory grades on essays and other types of required writing?
25. **How adept is your child at delivering book reports, making presentations, or giving speeches?** Does your child possess the necessary skills to present with confidence and impact?
26. **How well does your child relate to other children and adults?** Does your child have many friends, or is he a bit of a loner?
27. **Does your child shy away from conflict or can he/she address conflict without getting emotional or angry?**
28. **Does your child have the ability to negotiate with peers or adults? Can they influence others effectively to get what they want?**
29. **How well does your child listen?** Does he/she listen to teachers in class and you at home? Do you often have to repeat yourself to ensure that your child has heard and understood you?

30. **Does your child takes notes regularly in class for all subjects?**
31. **Are the class notes organized and well written? Are they supported by diagrams, charts, timelines, etc?**
32. **How skilled is your child at completing homework assignments efficiently?** Does he/she take an exorbitant amount of time to finish homework, or is homework time a pleasant experience at your home?
33. **How would you rate the effectiveness of your child's study skills to prepare for tests?** Does your child know how to study properly, or does he/she simply cram the night before the test?
34. **How well does your child perform on classroom assessments and standardized tests?** Do his/her test scores accurately reflect his knowledge and efforts in the subject? Is your child able to translate his/her knowledge into correct and complete answers on tests?
35. **How well-equipped is your child with specific test-taking techniques designed to increase his scores on traditional and standardized tests?** Does your child have a strategy when it comes to test taking or does he/she go into a testing situation blind?
36. **Does your child have a strong support system?** Is he/she surrounded by people who encourage, mentor, coach and support his/her academic success?
37. **How effective is your child's learning environment at home in facilitating his/her academic success?** Does he/she have the necessary space and resources to learn well and implement study skills effectively?
38. **How well do your child's eating habits support his/her academic performance?** Does your child know which foods can increase focus, memory and energy, or does your child's diet consist of junk food and sodas?
39. **How would you rate the quality of your child's sleeping habits?** Does your child get enough sleep to perform at his/her optimal level, or is he/she constantly staying up late and yawning while studying?
40. **How much physical activity does your child engage in?** Does he/she exercise regularly or tend to be a couch potato?

Ok. Time to add up the scores. Use the calculator below to determine whether your child is ready to compete academically:

- 40 – 80: If you scored between 40 and 80, your child is in immediate need of help. Don't let him go another day without the adequate skills and tools he requires to achieve academic success.
- 80 – 120: If you scored between 80 and 120, your child has a good start, but needs some help to achieve academic success. Provide additional assistance and help him/her perform optimally.
- 120 – 160: If you scored between 120 and 160, your child is fairly well equipped to perform academically. However, you have an opportunity to maximize your child's potential. Teach them some additional study skills to help him/her unleash their full potential.

- 160 – 200: If you scored between 160 and 200, then your child is ready to shine! They have either mastered or are on their way to mastering the important life and study skills that will help them succeed. Are you sure you haven't used our program already?

No matter what your child's current level of readiness, you can enable him/her to achieve things you never thought possible by introducing the highly effective strategies and techniques in our program, MSC³. The skills your child will gain from this program are not routinely taught in the traditional classroom setting and can therefore give students a competitive edge that they wouldn't have otherwise. The program addresses each of the concerns reflected in the questionnaire and has the potential to jumpstart your child's academic performance. Start today to provide your child with the robust foundation they need for academic success and professional achievement.