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## The Parents role in the Education of Children

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### Abstract:

The parents serve as the first teachers of their kids during the childhood or the role of parents in the education of the child is such that the parents are the first teacher of their child. It is undeniable fact that in different family atmosphere, children acquire different kinds of experiences, doing various activities with their parents. In this paper we shall analyze the impact of parents and family environment on the child. It will discuss the reasons why each family has different education possibilities. In modern days, It is not an easy task to play their role responsibly. Families have to take proper care on the health of their children their physical and mental development, their education, their intellectual growth as well as enhance them with moral values and positive attitude, good habits and teach them the value of cultural relations in the society where they live. On the other hand, family play the role of first institution of the child which enables him to learn not only the fundamental and informal learning but works on overall development of the child.

**Key words** –Parents, children, Education, Development, Father’s, role and Mother’s role.

## Introduction-

Parents are the first educator of their children. The support they provide affects children's development, learning and subsequent educational outcomes. This includes direct support in learning before and during formal education, as well as indirect facilitating of factors such as nutrition, health and hygiene. Support tasks range from school and home communication assistance in learning activities at home, participation in school events participation in school decision-making bodies.

( Desforges and Abouchaar 2003)

Thus parents should be a helping hand in their educational journey of a student. Parent's role is not limited to home but involvement in school activities too.

The education for life in a given family commences with the first day of the child's life. It is consisting mainly of acquiring experiences which is usually affected by constant learning. (Lakinsha, divana 2006)

In this regard, in the early years, parents as well as their family members are their children's first teacher-exploring nature, reading together, cooking together and school counting together. When the child begins formal school, the parents job is to show him how school can extend the learning you began together at home and how exciting and meaningful this learning can be. Through guidance and reminders parents help their children in organizing their time and support, their desire to learn things in and out of the school.

Parents involvement in the education process of their children, brings a great and positive outcome. According to Meta-analysis of more than fifty studies on parent's involvement in high schools, there is a direct connection between student's academic performance and the participation in their children's education. Parent's involvement in the educational process of their children provides strong foundation for the success of the student. Therefore parents should get involved in supporting, doing their homework, as in this way they offer their parental support, even more so if parents spend time reading with them. The student feel more motivated to learn, and their grades improve.

Educational level of children in the family depends more on the level of the parent's education, so this factor strongly affects family relationship and the successful development of children. ( Matilov, Naum 2002)

In the modern age, the parental control over the child is must. With the rapid development of information and technology, approximately 48% of the world population are using the internet and over four-fifths of the world's youth population are online (International Telecommunication union 2017)

In this regard the parent's duty becomes more critical. Parents should teach children right and wrong with calm words and actions. Parents should calmly explain the consequences if they don't behave. (W W W healthy children-org)

Children have two main educators in their lives-there parents and teachers. Parents are the prime educators until child attends nursery or starts school and remain a major influence on their children's learning through school and beyond. But, mother is always closer to children (Begja Hamit 2002) Parents are their children's strongest role model and greatest influencer. Children always adopt parent's values and types of behaviour. (Kasapi, Gjylymsere, 2013)

Parents should lay the foundation for their children by putting the examples. Through their own behaviour. They should teach children how to co-operate and take turns with others. This should be the part of their everyday education to make their behaviour beautiful and their life successful.

### **The mother as an educator-**

“The mother is the first Teacher of the child; the message she gives that child, that child gives to the world”

- (Malcolm X)

Mothers are not only life giver but also they hold the hand of their child when they take their first steps, they help them to understand the world around them. Mothers play an important role in the child's education. It is important to develop better cognitive, social emotional and physical skill in early stage of a child's life, mothers encourage a child to grow up with early knowledge via story telling, reading letters, games and so on. A mother plays the role of a supporter and guides for their child- (India Today.In)

1. Another group of activities in this regard, are the maternal functions regarding the child's development involving here the physical development, the intellectual development as well as the emotional development of the child. (Grancic, Radovan, 2006)

2. Each child which grows up and is educated in the presence of mother, for sure is expected to reach an appropriate physical, psychological as well as social development. In this report, these children have a much better appearance, they look happy and they enjoy the childhood in general. They are communicative as such they are ready to cooperate. (Brade, Riza 1995)
3. The mother plays two important roles for their child. The first one is the role of a protector and the second one is the role of a guide or educator. Mother's education has a great impact on the child's learning skills. A mother plays an energetic role in her child's education by taking benefit of teachable moments, volunteering the child at school, communicating with teachers about her child's performances at schools. The mother plays several roles of being a multitasker, can enable their children to learn from their example, their compassion and dedication to their family can become strong foundation of learning for children.

Apart from leading by example, a mother's role is critical in guiding children especially in areas of values, either, social skills and creativity. In short a mother's role is that creation, nurturing and mentoring that compliments the role of the teacher to perfection. ( Womenpla.net)

#### **Father as an Educator-**

The father in a family is a very important factor; concerning the organization of a nice and appropriately functional development of a house hold, with a specific accent on the children. Helping father can be the best fathers. A good father must be a good parent and a good husband. This person is extremely important factor in the organization of the family life as a whole, which are the basic ground towards a happily and joyful family for all the members of a respective family. Many young fathers want to do things better than how they have experienced in their lives. (Claudia & Eberhard Muthlan 2008)

His presence in the family has a particular importance while it leads the family members. When fathers are involved in the lives of their children, children get a positive energy. The father's presence unites all the members of the family.

5. However, the so called subjective experience of the parents by their children varies in different ways and family models and as such his relevance in a family is much more different from the one that is performed by mothers. As a result of the gender prejudices in terms of the duties to be performed in their family, especially regarding their approach and contribution towards their

children's education, it turns out that mothers are more prepared to undertake their role in children's education rather than their fathers. Fathers make a powerful difference in defining expectation and challenging children to do their best. (Constantine, Tammy. 1999)

For a successful brought up of the children father's role is very crucial, therefore he must be careful to some elements which play an important role raising, bringing up and educating their children, when father's are involved in the lives of their children, especially their education, children learn more, perform better in school and exhibit healthier behaviour. The father's active involvement in child's education have a everlasting and positive impact.

Research shows when fathers are engaged in children's education, they do better at school; their grades and test scores improve. They are more involved in school activities.

### **Conclusion-**

We may conclude on the above basis that parental involvement provides an important opportunity for education. Parental involvement at school is not always an easy task yet, it is very beneficial for everyone involved in a child's educational development. When parents are involved at schools they become more aware how to best help their child at home. Therefore educators must build a bridge between schools and home. A lot of children have two main educators in their life; Parents are their first educators, the majority of what a child learns in the first few years of his life is taught by parents. Parents continue being a major influencer of their children's learning all throughout school and for the rest of their lives. Parents assist their child in doing his homework and other learning activities, teaching them songs or nursery rhymes and letting him help with everyday tasks like cooking and other works. This approach as such should be stimulated by the parents themselves, by praising, and rewarding the children the way they perform on this task. This approach as a valve would raise within the children the sense of respecting the others family members. There should be mutual communication between the parents and children and again rewarding and praising the child, is real stimulator towards a better mutual respect and closeness between all members of a compact family.

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