

# Top 5 Ways You Can Help Your Child Succeed on the MCAS



## **ATTENDANCE.** *Make sure your child comes to school every day!*

Teachers are doing all kinds of MCAS prep activities in class. The knowledge and skills students learn in their classes are specifically designed to help them do well on the MCAS.

## **STUDY TIME.** *Set times each day for study and homework!*

Make sure your child has a quiet, comfortable place to work that is free from distractions. There should be homework for most classes every night, and students can always review their notes from class or old tests and quizzes.



## **ENCOURAGEMENT.** *Praise your child for working hard, the things they do well, and the things they improve on!*

Students really value your recognition, and they benefit the most from positive reinforcement of things they're doing right. Showing them that you notice specific things helps encourage them to keep trying even if something is difficult.



## **ONLINE RESOURCES.** *Take advantage of the content-specific online resources on the reverse!*

If you or your student want to brush up on some specific content, these websites are great resources to use at home. Students should spend 20 minutes with at least one of these resources at least three times a week.



## **READING.** *Encourage your child to read!*

The best way to improve reading and writing is to read, no matter what the content. Encourage your child to read for fun - books, magazines, blog posts, anything!



*Your student should spend 20 minutes with at least one of these resources at least three times a week until the end of the school year.*

# Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) tests on the following schedule:

**ELA – March 26-27**

**Math – May 21-22**

**Science – June 4-5, 2019**

## FREE Online Resources for Study

### ELA

1. [www.masteryconnect.com](http://www.masteryconnect.com)
2. [www.newseLA.com](http://www.newseLA.com)
3. [www.learnzillion.com](http://www.learnzillion.com)
4. [www.quill.org](http://www.quill.org)
5. [www.usingenglish.com](http://www.usingenglish.com)
6. [www.readtheory.org](http://www.readtheory.org)

### MATH

1. [www.youtube.com/user/fortbend tutoring](http://www.youtube.com/user/fortbend tutoring)
2. [www.mathway.com](http://www.mathway.com)
3. [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org)
4. [www.wolframalpha.com/examples/mathematics](http://www.wolframalpha.com/examples/mathematics)
5. [www.desmos.com](http://www.desmos.com)
6. [www.purplemath.com/modules/index.htm](http://www.purplemath.com/modules/index.htm)

### SCIENCE

1. [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org)
2. [www.physicsclassroom.com](http://www.physicsclassroom.com)
3. [www.sciencegeek.net](http://www.sciencegeek.net)
4. [www.bozemanscience.com](http://www.bozemanscience.com)
5. [www.biomanbio.com](http://www.biomanbio.com)

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