Dear Parents/Guardians,

The faculty and staff at Horizon Elementary School are committed to providing your child(ren) with a quality education. As we know, the connection between school and home plays an important role in your child(ren)'s education. In order to better meet the needs of your child(ren) after school hours, we have created this brochure to provide you with additional information that will help support your child(ren) at home.

Sincerely,

Horizon’s Faculty

Parent Resources

**ParentVue**
-provides access to grades, assignments and end of year SOL scores. You will also find FAQ pages, quick reference guides, and helpful videos. Make sure you update your account with the correct email address and phone number(s) at the beginning of the year, or any time there are changes.

[www.lcps.org/Page/154534](http://www.lcps.org/Page/154534)

**Tutors**
-use the link below to find a tutor or specialized reading tutor (or contact Amy Sandridge, Parent Liaison)

[www.lcps.org/page/186523](http://www.lcps.org/page/186523)

**Parent Resource Center**
-provides special education information, workshops and events, tutoring, support groups and organization, department of education links.

[www.lcps.org/parentresourceservices](http://www.lcps.org/parentresourceservices)

**Behavior**
Positive behavior supports does not mean changing the child but adapting the environment to achieve the behavior you want to see. We teach children the new skills while providing positive feedback as the skills are developed. See examples in the document found at: [https://bit.ly/2vswnx](https://bit.ly/2vswnx)

Association for Positive Behavior Support

The Comet 3Cs – It’s helpful to use the same language at home as at school. Teachers frequently use “I like the way…” when reinforcing the 3Cs in the classroom. You can acknowledge your child displaying the 3Cs at home in the same manner. For example:

**Courtesy** – “I like the way you are using your manners when…”

**Care** – “I like the way you are being kind by…”

**Cooperation** – “I like the way you share when…”
**Homework Tips**

* Follow grade level recommendation for amount of time spent on homework.

* If your child(ren) is(are) having difficulty with completing homework, talk to your child’s teacher. You can contact them through teacher or grade level webpages.

* Have a regular time and space set aside for completing homework.

* Try to keep distractions to a minimum.

* Be a motivator however, let the child(ren) do his/her own work.

* READ daily.

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**Social Emotional Support**

Each school has a Pupil Services Student Support Team responsible for providing a continuum of prevention and intervention supports to meet the social, emotional, and behavioral needs to help students succeed at school. More information can be found on issues such as school related anxiety, talking to children about violence, bullying prevention, Restorative Practices, and treatment provider resources at [www.lcps.org/mentalhealthservices](http://www.lcps.org/mentalhealthservices).