

# How to Motivate a Student to Succeed

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- Try a friendly approach
  - Make friends
  - Be a peer mentor, not a nagging "adult"
- Identify the actual problem
  - Be understanding
  - Come up with a realistic solution
  - Identify avenues of help that can be used
- Share a story of personal experience
  - Let's them know they are not alone
  - Gives ideas for possible ways of handling the problem
  - Makes you more approachable
  - Makes you more "real" and easier to relate to
- Create a reward or recognition system
  - Gives them something tangible to strive for
  - You can reward small improvements
  - Helps to build positive momentum