

5 Tips for Keeping Online Students MOTIVATED



1. Create a Schedule

The traditional college experience involves a set schedule. Students head to classes at specific times on certain days, giving them a sense of structure and defining attendance expectations by default. It is important that we treat online students the same way.



2. Improve Your Technology

Spend some time evaluating the technology at your students' disposal. If it isn't ideal for remote learning, explore potential changes or upgrades that could help. By improving the online experience, students will feel more confident and capable, allowing their motivation to rise.



3. Embrace Opportunities for Interaction

Encourage your student to participate in discussion boards, chats, e-mail, etc. Give them a variety of avenues for communication. Have students examine online alternatives for study groups to interact with other students and professionals in their concentration area.



4. Seek out Professional Help

For some students, the lack of social interaction and dealing with the gravity of certain situations happening around them can be hard to bear. If you see a student is struggling, it's wise for you to acknowledge it and ask them to speak with a professional. When left untreated, the consequences can be severe, so it is very important to take action quickly.



5. Lead by Example

It's imperative to lead by example. If you want your online students to take learning seriously, you need to treat your course and the success of our students as a priority. Lead to build trust, foster collaboration, communicate on a regular basis, and empower students to lean on you and the other students to be successful in the course.

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