

Tips for the Work Space

A good work space is essential! When set up well, it establishes purpose and promotes focused success!

- ★ Think of the space as your (invisible) **friend**...when acknowledged and cared for, it can help you out when things get a little messy!
- ★ What kind of work will your child(ren) be doing? Would a flat surface work best? Will your youngster need a lot of floor space to play?
- ★ **LESS is more!** With everyone at home, it might be a bit challenging, but try to focus on the essentials. What is really needed in this space? And what can be moved elsewhere?
- ★ Would it be helpful to have more than one work space? Lots of children do “**centers**” at their schools by traveling to different areas of the classroom...you could try that too! (ex. science in the kitchen, reading in the bedroom, virtual field trips on the couch in the living room)
- ★ **Make it their own!** Just because this space will be used mostly for academic learning, work, etc... that doesn't mean it has to be totally bland! Think about what makes you happy when you're working? A family photo? The best pens? A comfy chair? Talk with your child about what he/she likes that can be incorporated into this space while keeping focus on its purpose!

