

YOUR ROLE: SHIFTING THE JUDGEMENT AROUND RETURNING TO SCHOOL

7 Tips

to move from assumptions to compassion

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| 1. I need to try to convince her that it's best for our community to do remote learning. | → | I wonder why it's so important to her that her daughter does school in-person? |
| 2. Come on! You know kids aren't really going to keep their masks on if they are in-person. | → | I'd be curious about your perspective on kids wearing masks. |
| 3. They're not taking the pandemic seriously if they allow their kids to play in team sports. | → | This is such a hard decision, I bet they've thought through all the options and picked the best one for their family. |
| 4. Why is he spending so much time being concerned about things out of his control? | → | I appreciate that perspective, we're going to have to be really flexible this year. |
| 5. So you really think it's best for our kids' education to be online? | → | What is it about the online model of learning that feels appealing to your family? |
| 6. This person is selfish/doesn't care at all about the health of educators. | → | It seems like this person and I may prioritize different aspects about returning to school. |
| 7. They've lived in this neighborhood for as long as I have, they should understand the importance of community. | → | They have their own experiences and reasons to make the decisions they do; I wonder if they'd be open to discussing my concerns as well. |