

# HELP FOR PARENTS - PARENTS' RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES FROM THE ST. JAMES PARENT SUPPORT ADVISORY TEAM (PSAT)



**PARENTING IS A JOB THAT COMES WITH A LOT OF RESPONSIBILITIES AS WELL AS A LOT OF RIGHTS.**

It is very important to know your rights as a parent and your responsibilities to your child. You can use this knowledge to become an even better parent.



You have the right as a parent (mother, father or guardian) to make decisions about certain aspects of your child's life including medical treatment and education.

Your responsibilities as a parent (mother or father or guardian) are to make sure that your child's rights are met. They include ensuring that:

- ✓ Your child has a name and nationality - that she or he is properly registered soon after he or she is born
- ✓ Your child has a good education
- ✓ Your child has proper health care
- ✓ Your child is protected from all forms of abuse



## DO

1. Make sure you know all your rights as a parent
2. Make sure all your children's rights are protected
3. Take responsibility for your child



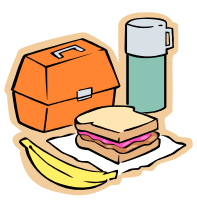
## DON'T

1. Give up your rights as a parent by ignoring your child
2. Forget that your child's rights are your responsibility
3. Forget to care for your child



### KNOW YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES!!

THE PICTURES SHOW THREE THINGS PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING FOR THEIR CHILDREN. WRITE WHAT YOU THINK THESE THINGS ARE BESIDE EACH PICTURE:



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CAN YOU THINK OF OTHER THINGS PARENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR?

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The St. James Parent Support Advisory Team (P-SAT) is here to assist parents. We give parents the chance to learn how to do better at the job of parenting. We also give parents an opportunity to share and learn from each other, with the support of specially trained persons who give information on a number of topics. If you or your community would like assistance from the PSAT, please contact us: c/o THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, 4 KERR CRESCENT, MO-BAY 9524362;9711569 or at THE PSAT RESOURCE CENTRE, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR VANHAZE BUILDING, 16 EAST ST, MO-BAY

