**Goal Setting Tips**

1. Consider the question “is this a realistic goal?”
2. Consider the question “what steps do I need to take to meet my goal?”
3. Consider the question “what do I need in order to accomplish this goal?”
4. Consider the question “who do I need help from in order to accomplish this goal?”
5. Consider the question “how long will it take me to accomplish this goal?”

**Steps for Setting and accomplishing a Goal**

1. **Think of a goal** (it can be anything; it does not have to be school related). For example – “I will not have any missing homework assignments for the first three weeks of school.”
	1. **The goal should be something that you can accomplish with little or no outside help.**
	2. **Write down what steps you will need to complete in order to accomplish the goal.**
	3. **Set parameters for your goal** – how long will this goal take; what kind of daily/weekly effort will you need in order to accomplish this goal?
		1. **Set a realistic start and end date for your goal.** For example, instead of stating “I am not going to have any missing assignments for the semester” make your goal realistic or attainable. I am not going to have any missing assignments for this unit, week, day, etc…
	4. **Justify your goal** – Why is this goal important?
2. **Write your progress down.** This can be in your planner, a goal sheet, or notes in your phone. It should be something you can easily go back through and reflect.
3. **Justify and reflect on your actions.** For example – “Today I turned in all of my homework. I set aside two hours last night to complete my homework, I organized my backpack/binder, and turned everything in.” OR “today I did not turn in my homework because my grandmother was over last night and I did not have time to complete my homework.”
4. **Reflect on your overall progress toward your goal once you met your timing parameters.** For example – “I was able to turn in all of my homework for the first three weeks of school, next time I am going to set my goal higher.” OR “I was unable to meet my goal, there were five days where I did not turn in my homework. I know I can meet this goal; next time I am going to do these things different (list changes you would make) in order to accomplish my goal.”
5. **Last, create a new goal and get started!**

**Goal Setting Practice**

1. **Set realistic, attainable goal** -\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. **List steps needed to accomplish goal** –
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3. **Set timing parameters for goal -** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. **Justify your goal -** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_