LOVE AND CARE FOR YOUR CHILDREN

NURTURING CHILDREN

TRUST AND RESPECT
- Acknowledge children's right to have own feelings, friends, activities and opinions
- Promote independence
- Allow for privacy
- Respect feelings for other parent
- Believe your children

PROMOTE EMOTIONAL SECURITY
- Talk and act so that children feel safe and comfortable expressing themselves
- Be gentle
- Be dependable

PROVIDE PHYSICAL SECURITY
- Provide food, shelter, clothing
- Teach personal hygiene and nutrition
- Monitor safety
- Maintain a family routine
- Attend to wounds

CARE FOR YOURSELF
- Give yourself personal time
- Keep yourself healthy
- Maintain friendships
- Accept love

GIVE AFFECTION
- Express verbal and physical affection
- Be affectionate when your children are physically or emotionally hurt

ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT
- Be affirming
- Encourage children to follow their interest
- Let children disagree with you
- Recognize improvement
- Teach new skills
- Let them make mistakes

GIVE TIME
- Participate in your children's lives: activities, school, sports, special events and days, celebrations
- Include your children in your activities
- Reveal who you are to your children

PROVIDE DISCIPLINE
- Be consistent
- Ensure rules are appropriate to age and development of child
- Be clear about limits and expectations
- Use discipline to give instruction, not punish

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