
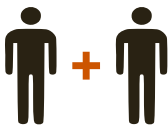


SUPER DAD



Having an involved father – one who reads to, takes outings with, is interested in, and takes an equal role in parenting his child – is a strong predictor of many outcomes. From lower infant mortality rates to less illegal drug use, fathers have an enormous impact on their children. All it takes is spending quality time with his child, no matter the activity or even how much time they can spend together.

Children with involved, loving fathers...



form better relationships,



maintain a healthier self-esteem,

have less psychological distress,

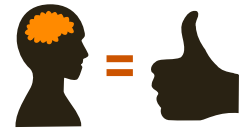


exhibit empathy and positive social behavior,



and are more likely to avoid high-risk behaviors,



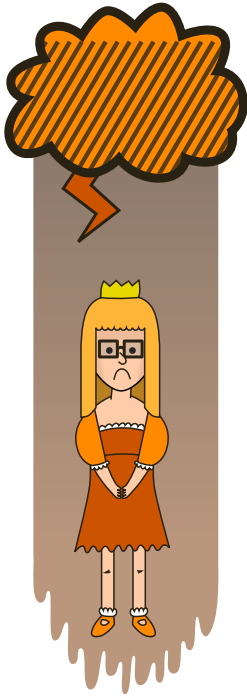
such as drug use, truancy, and criminal activity,

...compared to children who have uninvolved fathers.



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It's clear how great a father can be for his child's well-being. However, when there's no **super dad** around, it's a different story...



85%
of children with behavioral problems come from homes without involved fathers



85%
of youth in prison come from homes without involved fathers



71%
of high school dropouts come from homes without involved fathers



63%
of teen suicides come from homes without involved fathers

Source: Indiana Partnership Center. (2011). The State of Fatherhood. (Available at www.fscp.org)

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