From the mouths of current U of M student parents...

What piece of advice would you give a new student parent about being successful in college?

1. Develop a routine ASAP
2. Figure out where you do your best work (at school, home, library, etc.)
3. Get your kids involved (i.e. read your textbooks to your kids)
4. Find a way to manage your time
5. Find a support group/system and use it
6. Set a strict bedtime for the kids
7. Find a happy medium– you can’t do everything full time (be a parent, student, employee); recognize your limits
8. Make the most of your time at school and at home– separate the two
9. Don’t get behind on homework– it’s impossible to catch up!
10. Learn to love coffee
11. When at school, focus on school– take advantage of every minute because it’s hard to get anything done at home
12. Schedule study time
13. If you have older kids, do your homework when your kids do their homework
14. It’s a learning process– it takes time to figure out what works for you