

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Thank you for taking an interest in your child's learning. Parental involvement plays a critical role in academic success. We encourage you to talk to your child about both what and how they are learning throughout this course.

A MOOC is a Massive Open Online Course and it is different from traditional classroom or even online courses. In this MOOC your child is encouraged to pursue their own interests related to the Millennium Goals. They will also be helping to create a community of online learners as they participate in various discussion forums and activities. In addition, students are able to go through activities as often as they wish as the course material is always available.

While we have outlined specific learning goals for this course on the My MOOC Goals page, we also hope that this MOOC will help your child:

- become an independent learner;
- develop time management and organizational skills;
- develop critical thinking skills;
- develop research skills;
- acquire skills for living and learning in a digital world

Again, as the course facilitators we want to thank you for taking an interest in your child's interests and learning. We look forward to learning with your child!