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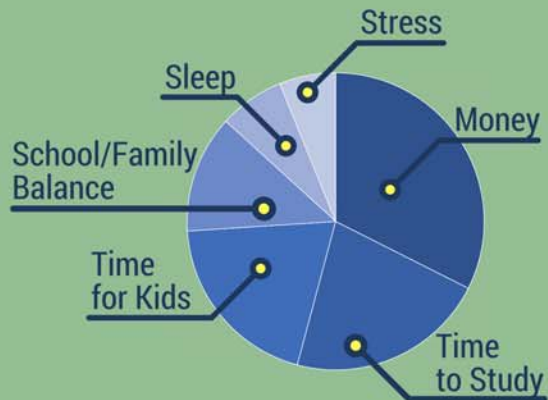
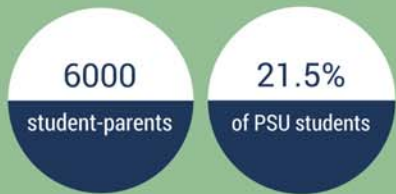
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At Portland State...



Top 3 Challenges for PSU Student-Parents

In the United States...

Compared to students without kids, students with kids...



- Face more barriers to graduation
- Are less likely to graduate

How Can Academic Libraries Help?



A few ideas, from simple to complex...

- Stock crayons & coloring pages at service desks
- Promote children's lit collection to parents

Host or participate in family-oriented campus events

Bring Your Kids to Campus Day, 2016



Create a Family Study Room exclusively for student with their kids

1137
check-outs

344
unique users

157
repeat users

Use of Family Study Room at PSU Library, July 2014 - June 2016

