



PARENT EMPOWERMENT: A COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE

Workshop Topics & Presenters:

How to Be Engaged as a Parent

Dr. Patricia Crisp

Learn how the Elementary/ Secondary Education Act (ESEA) relates to academic achievement, academic improvement, standardized testing and more.

Family-Educator Dialogues

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An open dialogue between families and educators about issues that are of concern, and increase understanding and empathy regarding the successes and challenges of providing an excellent education for all of our children.

FBI-SOS (Safe Online Surfing) Program Overview

Daryl Hulce

Learn about this free, online educational program that promotes cyber-citizenship and teaches youth how to recognize and react to online dangers.

Overview of Parent Training and Information Centers (PTIs)

Alexis Smith & Stormy Lovett

PTIs are state institutions funded by the Department of Education's Office of Special Programs. Their primary role is to assist parents of children with disabilities with fulfilling their roles in IDEA.

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Saturday, October 22, 2011 • 8:30 am - 2:30 pm

GISD Special Events Center • 4999 Naaman Forest Blvd • Garland, TX 75040

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Parent and Community Advocates for Children's Public Education

Parents and community members from the north Texas region are invited to this event! Have an opportunity to attend workshops conducted by a variety of educational service providers, as well as share your concerns with representatives of the U.S. Department of Education.

Event Highlights:

Luncheon Keynote Speech

Representative from U.S. Department of Education

Event Wrap-Up with Department of Education

An opportunity to participate in a dialogue with Department of Education representatives regarding concerns, topics of interest, and more.



FREE REGISTRATION!

- A light breakfast and a box lunch will be provided free-of-charge as part of the registration package but you **MUST PRE-REGISTER** for one of the 500 seats available! (No late on-site registration will be available.)
- Complimentary transportation will be available from key locations in the cities of Garland, Rowlett, and Sachse.
- SPANISH TRANSLATION PROVIDED
- **Registration Deadline: Thursday, October 20, 2011**

Online Registration Available Now:

- **English language:**
www.surveymonkey.com/s/ParentEmpowerment_ACommunityExperience_2011
- **Spanish (Español) language:**
www.surveymonkey.com/s/ParentEmpowerment_ACommunityExperience_Spanish
- **If unable to register online:**
"In Person" registration and assistance will be available at all Garland ISD campuses

For additional information, email GISD-CommunityLiaisons@garlandisd.net

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Parents: Did You Know That YOU

Are the Most Important Teacher Your Child Will Ever Have?

Elizabeth B. Thompson, CFLE, CMPI & Brenda Faz-Villareal

This session will provide practical ideas for building literacy into your family routine. Reading can better prepare you to lead your children's education.

Navigate Your Way to College – PLAN!

Trevor Summers

Learn about the Federal Student Aid programs available and the application process.

Let's Talk: Strategies Parents Can Use at School

R. Patrice Dunn, LPC-S

Learn techniques for communicating effectively with teachers and administrators, and strategies for participation in parent/teachers conferences.

Partnership for Success:

Collaboration and Consensus in the ARD Meeting

Dr. Pamela Baker, Karen Slaughter, & Rosario Samandi

Learn to use communication skills that create a cooperative environment for Admission, Review, and Dismissal (ARD) Committee meetings that will allow committee members to listen to each member's point of view and find consensus.

Office of Civil Rights – Overview

Lisa Thierry

Learn the mission of the Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights (OCR) as it relates to student achievement by fostering educational excellence and ensuring equal access. A question & answer session will follow the presentation.

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