

The **Parent Leadership Training Institute** enables parents to become advocates for children. This program helps parents develop the civic skills necessary to connect with government, analyze civic issues and bring about change.

Parents benefit by acquiring tools that include:

- How government works.
- What public policy is.
- Understanding budgets and resource allocations.
- Ways to reach local, state and elected leaders.
- Voting and why it matters.
- How to lead group discussions and gather ideas.
- How to work with diversity in the community.
- Ways to empower the community.

TRAINING

Parents are offered four phases of training.

1. A retreat to develop the group and define the mission;

- **2.** A 10-week course on parent leadership;
- 3. A 10-week study of politics, policy and media; and
- **4.** A community project to practice the learning within a community context.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE

Anyone that desires to improve the lives of children, families and communities can apply.

HOW TO APPLY

Register Online by scanning the QR Code:



2023/24 Class Schedule



September 27, 2023 5:30pm - 8:30pm



Westside Elementary School 659 K Street, Los Banos CA 93635

Week 1 Thriving with Diversity in the Group Process

Week 2 The Change Process

Week 3 Parents as Change Agents

Week 4 How to Define a Problem and Work Toward Solution

Week 5 The Intentional Use of Language

Week 6 Learning How a Community Works

Week 7 How Local Systems Work and How to Interact with Them

Week 8 Networks

Week 9 The Power of the Media and How to Use It

Week 10 Using Your Voice

Week 11 The Life Cycle of a Child & The Functions of the Family

Week 12 Social & Economic Trends Affecting Children & Families

Week 13 What is Public Policy

Week 14 How the State Works

Week 15 How the City Works

Week 16 How Do We Understand the Law

Week 17 Budget-From Wallets to State-It's all Money & Priorities

Week 18 Evaluations, Outcomes and Accountability

Week 19 The Magic of the Unexpected: Forming New Alliances

Week 20 Language: Packaging and Moving Agendas

Graduation Date: March 27, 2024



PROGRAM

Once received, your application will be evaluated. Class size is limited. Selection will be strength based with consideration for diversity. If your application moves forward you will be invited to an interview.

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