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PROJECT 2 INSPIRE

Parent Leadership Development Program



SCHOOL-BASED PARENT ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM TOPICS

- Parent Involvement: Helping Your Child Achieve Academic Success
- Building Bridges: Family and School Communication
- Education in a Digital World
- Understanding the U.S.
 System of Education
- Basic Components of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)
- Common Core State Standards:
- An Introduction for Parents
- System of School Accountability
- Academic Programs
- Role of Parent Committees
- Beyond High School
- Early Childhood Education
- Goal Setting

CONNECTING FAMILIES AND SCHOOLS

Project 2INSPIRE's Parent Leadership Development Program (PLDP) provides a model approach for:

- Building family awareness and competence in improving their children's educational outcomes;
- Enhancing their knowledge, skills, and abilities to support student learning and school improvement; and
- Engaging school staff to support and cultivate positive environments and build relationships with families that increase their capacity to support their children's educational needs.



Project 2INSPIRE ...a research-based Family, School & Community Partnership Program

How do schools and families benefit?

Improve student achievement results in low-performing schools

Reach diverse background, non-English speaking parents with materials in their own language

Help parents guide their children's school success at home and at school

Equip school staff members to engage parents and boost academic achievement

Strengthen families and the community through building Family, School and Community Partnerships





COMMUNITY LEARNING HEORY (CLT) APPROACH

- 1. CLT is a process/approach that builds among participants communities of mutual support and trust for collaboration.
- 2. CLT seeks to create group environments that promotes dialogue and reflection, and encourages positive action
- 3. CLT creates environments that nurture parents' ability to transform their empathy and learning into action, i.e., developing trusting relationships, co-powering, and advancing positive changes for the home, school and community.
- 4. CLT values every person for who they are and their experiences in order to build meaningful relationships based on trust and respect, e.g., parent and parent, parent and teacher, parent and administrator, etc.
- 5. CLT fosters in every person and group a sense of self, place, purpose, direction, possibilities, and options and each person and group has the capacity for self-discovery, improvement, shared learning and action.
- 6. CLT validates the fact that every group of people has the potential of becoming a learning circle that shares wisdom, creates group knowledge, and fosters personal growth.

