



Parent Academy Course Schedule

Winter-Spring 2012

Parent Academy is a collaboration between Portland Public Schools and community-based partners to acknowledge, honor, support and promote family involvement in student achievement.





Adult Education/Personal Development

Portland Community College Life Tracks – for Families Returning to School

Life Tracks is a tuition-free program for people returning to school whose lives are in transition. Students build confidence in navigating college, explore career goals and learn college success tips. Students receive 4 college credits paid by the Portland Community College Southeast Center. Limited support services (child-care stipend, transportation and parking) are provided. Classes are held at PCC Southeast Center, SE 82nd Ave. and Division St.

Drop-in information sessions:

Thursday, February 16, 12-12:50 p.m. (Scott 205) **Tuesday, February 21, 3-3:50 p.m.** (Tabor 124)

For more information, contact: Dana Jean Maginn, 971-722-6198

Citizenship Classes at Multnomah County Library

Saturdays, February 4, 11, 18, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

**Sundays, March 25 & April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29,
noon-2 p.m.**

Holgate Library, 7905 SE Holgate Blvd.

Saturdays, February 4, 11, 18, 10 a.m.-noon

St. Johns Library, 7510 N. Charleston Ave.

You must register and attend all six sessions, register online, in the library or by calling 503.988.5234.

For more information, contact Melissa Madenski, 503-988-6318.

Computer Classes at Multnomah County Library

Vietnamese Computer Lab

Every Wednesday, 4-5:30 p.m.

Gregory Heights Library

7921 N.E. Sandy Blvd.

Computer Basics in Chinese

(Cantonese and Mandarin)

Designed for complete beginner to learn computer terms and how to use of a keyboard and mouse.

Every Friday, 3-5 p.m.

Holgate Library

7905 S.E. Holgate Blvd.



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Adult Education/Personal Development *continued*

Cooking and Eating Healthy: On a Budget

In this workshop, you will learn how to cook healthy, seasonal meals on a budget and be actively involved in the preparation of a meal.

Registration required. Each workshop is limited to 20 participants.

Thursday, April 5, 6-8 p.m.

Bridger K-8 School

7910 SE Market St.

Facilitator: Prairie Hale, Zenger Farms

Thursday, April 19, 6-8 p.m.

Kelly Elementary School

9030 SE Cooper St.

Facilitator: Prairie Hale, Zenger Farms



Resume Writing, Job Readiness and Interviewing

In this workshop, you will learn about current trends in resume writing and job preparedness to help you successfully navigate the job market.

Tuesday, February 21, 6-8 p.m.

Jefferson High School, 5210 N. Kerby Ave.

Facilitator: Reiko Williams, Portland Public Schools



My Money, My Life: Making a Tight Budget Work for Families

This class helps families get their arms around their household finances. It is designed for those who want to improve their financial management during uncertain economic times.

Thursday, February 16, 6-8 p.m.

Scott K-7 School

6700 NE Prescott St.

Facilitator: Jacqueline Butts, Nonprofit Financial Services

Wednesday, February 23, 6-8 p.m.

Vestal K-8 School

161 NE 82nd Ave.

Facilitator: Jacqueline Butts, Nonprofit Financial Services



Fix-It Fair

The Fix-It Fair is a FREE City of Portland event where you can learn simple ways to save money and connect with resources. Join your neighbors and talk to the experts about how to spend less and stay healthy. Learn simple and affordable ways to improve your home. Free lunch, lead testing, childcare, bike repair and door prizes every hour.

Saturday, February 26, 8:30 a.m. – 2:00p.m.

Jefferson High School, 5210 N. Kerby Ave.

For more information, contact Fix It Fair, 503-823-4309 fixitfair@portlandoregon.gov



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African American Read-In

Local celebrities, community leaders and students read from works by their favorite African American writers at the 16th annual African American Read-In. Fiction and nonfiction for children and adults will be featured in an afternoon of good words from great works.

Sunday, February 12, 2-3:30 p.m.

Concordia University,

Hagen Campus Center, second floor, 2811 N.E. Holman St.

Brown Bag Lunch & Learn at Multnomah County Library

FREE! A regular six-week series to develop and increase your professional skills.

Thursdays, noon-1 p.m

Central Library, U.S. Bank Room, 801 S.W. 10th Ave.

Call 503.988.5236 for more information.

February 9

Move from Complaints to Collaboration

Speaker: Tasha Harmon

Learn simple, effective ways to shift your approach from a dynamic of complaint to a dynamic of cooperation.

February 16

HUMAN Strategies: It's All About the People

Speaker: Steven Fulmer

Business is personal because it depends upon humans; and what odd creatures we can be! Come explore five key human strategies for improving leadership, communication and decision-making skills.

February 23

Sheconomics

Speaker: Grace Antares

Understand the emotional forces and barriers that influence women's success with money. Using a clinical study from the University of Hertfordshire, speaker Grace Antares shares solutions to better spending.

March 1

Informational Interviews

Speaker: Elizabeth Hayes

One effective strategy for getting your dream job is to conduct informational interviews. Learn how to connect with key managers and develop techniques that put you on the inside track to the job!



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Learning at Home/School-Home Communication

College Bound: Scholarships and Applying (for Vietnamese-Speaking Families)

Discover ways to pay for your student's college education in this scholarship workshop.

Thursday, February 16, 5:30-7 p.m.

Benson High School, 6941N Central Ave.

Facilitator: Huy Hoang, Portland Public Schools, and Student Panel



College on The Horizon: Preparing your Child for the Future

It's not too early to begin having conversations with your child about college and career. This session provides tips and strategies from cradle through career.

Wednesday, April 4, 6-8 p.m.

George Middle School, 10000 N Burr Ave.

Facilitator: Reiko Williams, Portland Public Schools



Getting the Most Out of Report Cards and EdBox Viewer

Report cards and the EdBox Viewer are the primary ways that teachers and schools share information with families about student progress. Learn how to get the most out of your student's report cards and the EdBox Viewer, and tell us how we can make them more useful for you.

Tuesday, February 28, 6-8 p.m.

George Middle School, 10000 N Burr Ave.

Facilitator: Rick La Greide, Portland Public Schools

Wednesday, February 29, 6-8 p.m.

Benson High School, 6941N Central Ave.

Facilitator: Rick La Greide, Portland Public Schools



The Importance of Black Men Taking a Proactive Role in Their Children's Education

This session examines the impact of black men taking a proactive role in their children's education and explores the benefits for students. It provides concrete messages that fathers can employ to encourage their children along their educational journey.

Wednesday, February 22, 6-8 p.m.

Jefferson High School, 5210 N Kerby Ave.

Panel of: African American Fathers



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Leadership/Decision-Making

Making the Right Choice for Your Child's Education

In this session, you will learn about the school options in PPS. You will become more familiar with the educational options provided at all grade levels, including language immersion and advanced placement courses.

Thursday, February 10, 6-8 p.m.

Scott K-8, N.E. Prescott St.

Facilitator: Andrea Wade, Portland Public Schools

Thursday, February 24, 6-8 p.m.

Rosa Parks K-5 School, 8960 N. Woolsey Ave

Facilitator: Andrea Wade, Portland Public Schools

Advocating for Your Child at School

This session will give you information about how to advocate, communicate effectively and work in partnership with school staff and administrators regarding your child's academic, behavioral and emotional well-being.

Wednesday, March 2, 6-8 p.m.

Beach PK-8, 1710 N Humboldt St.

Facilitator: Sierra Hill, Step Up

Making Sure that Ninth Grade Counts (Culturally Specific for Vietnamese Parents)

Understanding the transition from 8th – 9th grade. Parents will learn different ways to prepare their children's academically and socially for high school.

Thursday, May 17, 5:30-7 p.m.

Benson High School, 6941N Central Ave.

Facilitator: Hoang Tran, Franklin High School Counselor

Students/Parent Rights and Responsibilities in Public Education (Culturally Specific for Vietnamese Parents)

Help parents and students understand the district's guidelines, policies and procedures; and the consequence for violating school and district policies and procedures.

Thursday, April 19, 5:30-7 p.m.

Benson High School, 6941N Central Ave.

Facilitator: Huy Hoang, Portland Public Schools



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Culture and Community

Telling Your Family Story

This session focuses on the benefits of sharing your family history with your child as an educating and empowering tool to promote student pride and success.



Friday, February 10, 6-8 p.m.

Humboldt PK-8 School

4915 N. Gantenbein Ave.

Facilitator: Renee Mitchell

Friday, February 17, 8:45-10:45 a.m.

Faubion PK-8 School

3039 NE Portland Blvd.

Facilitator: Renee Mitchell

Understanding the US Educational System for ESL Somali Parents

This session is culturally specific designed to provide an overview of the school system, ESL program, and the importance of parents or family involvement. In this workshop you will also learn how to read and understand high school transcripts, GPA and report cards.



Thursday, February 2, 6-8 p.m.

Roosevelt High School, 6941N Central Ave.

Facilitator: Abdi Jamac, Portland Public Schools

Thursday, February 23, 6-8 p.m.

Cleveland High School, 3400 SE 26th Ave.

Facilitator: Abdi Jamac, Portland Public Schools

Teamwork: Parents as Partners in Writing

Parents play a significant role in their children's academic development. In a two-hour interactive presentation, professionals from Wordstock, a nonprofit that promotes writing in the classroom, answer the question: "How can I help my child in writing at home without taking over?"



Thursday, April 27, 9-11 a.m.

Chief Joseph PK-5, 2409 N Saratoga St.

Facilitator: Joanna Rose, Wordstock



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Families Learning Together



The workshop will provide new strategies to support your child's learning at home. We will have opportunity to meet one another and practice techniques that will help our children be better readers and writers. Door prizes, light dinner, and childcare provided. Every family will leave with the gift of a book.

Hãy đến và tham dự buổi hội thảo “Cả nhà cùng nhau học” cùng với các bậc phụ huynh khác vào ngày thứ Ba 7 tây tháng 2 năm 2012. Buổi hội thảo sẽ cung cấp những cách thức mới để hỗ trợ việc học của con quý vị ở nhà. Phụ huynh sẽ có cơ hội gặp gỡ nhau và thực hành những kỹ thuật để giúp con cái mình trở thành 1 người thích đọc sách. Chúng tôi có phục vụ thức ăn tối, giữ trẻ, và món quà nhỏ cho từng gia đình.

Tuesday, February 2, 5:30-8 p.m.

Woodmere, 7900 DE Duke Ave.

Facilitator: Tony Pham & Deborah Barnhart

Family Literacy for ESL Somali Parent



This culturally specific workshop will emphasize the importance of literacy. Family literacy support can make all the difference in the school life of a child. Parents will be given fun reading, writing and speaking activities they can do with their children to support literacy.

Tuesday, February 14, 6-8 p.m.

Markham K-5 School, 10531 SW Capitol Hwy

Facilitator: Abdi Jamac, Portland Public Schools

Thursday, March 22, 6-8 p.m.

Rosa Parks K-5 School, 8960 N Woolsey Ave.

Facilitator: Abdi Jamac, Portland Public Schools

Thursday, March 8, 6-8 p.m.

Harrison Park K-8 School, 2225 SE 87th Ave.

Facilitator: Abdi Jamac, Portland Public Schools

Courageous Conversations About Race (For King Parents Only)



In this workshop, participants discuss race and the impact of race on student success.

Thursday, April 27, 6-8 p.m.

King PK-8 School, 4906 NE 6th Ave.

Facilitator: Step Up

Thursday, May 18, 6-8 p.m.

King PK-8 School, 4906 NE 6th Ave.

Facilitator: Step Up

Thursday, May 4, 6-8 p.m.

King PK-8 School, 4906 NE 6th Ave.

Facilitator: Step Up

Thursday, May 25, 6-8 p.m.

King PK-8 School, 4906 NE 6th Ave.

Facilitator: Step Up



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Culture and Community *continued*

Understanding Your Child's Graduation Requirements, Credits, GPA and Report Cards

All high school has academic requirements that students must meet in order to graduate. In this session learn how you can ensure that your child is making satisfactory academic progress in order to advance to the next grade level.

Thursday, January 26, 5:30-7 p.m.

Benson High School, 6941N Central Ave.

Facilitator: Hoang Tran, Franklin High School Counselor

Ready, Set, Connect to Kindergarten:

How to Prepare for a Confident Start to Kindergarten

This training informs parents and child care providers about skills that help children have a smooth start to school. Facilitators explain what to expect in the classroom, school and school district resources, kindergarten registration and more. Educational tools and resources are provided.

***Training certificates will be provided by Child Care Resource and Referral of Multnomah County.**

Tuesday, February 9, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Humboldt PK-8 School, 4915 N. Gantenbein Ave.

Facilitator: Nancy Hauth, PPS, & Rachel Altmann, Multnomah County Library

Child Development/Milestones

The Teenage Brain: How It Works and How We Can Work With It

This presentation for parents of 5th-12th graders focuses on the teen brain. It explores what is going on in the teen brain: how it works and how we can work with it.

Wednesday, February 1, 6-8 p.m.

Hosford, 2303 SE 28th Place.

Facilitator: Amy Ruona-Banister, PPS

Wednesday, April 25, 6-8 p.m.

YWA at Harriet Tubman, 2231 N Flint. Ave

Facilitator: Amy Ruona-Banister, PPS

Thursday, March 22, 6-8 p.m.

Skyline K-8 School, 11536 NW Skyline Blvd

Facilitator: Amy Ruona-Banister, PPS



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PARENT ACADEMY REGISTRATION FORM

There are 4 easy ways to register for a workshop.

1. Register online at www.pps.net/parent-academy
2. Call 503-916-3080 to register by phone
3. Complete and mail this form to the Office of Family Engagement, 501 N. Dixon St., Portland, OR 97208
4. Complete and fax this form to 503-916-3100

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP Code: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

What school(s) do your children attend? _____

Do you need an interpreter? If yes: ___ Chinese ___ Russian ___ Somali ___ Spanish ___ Vietnamese

Do you need child care? (ages 3-12) If yes, number of children _____

We will do our best to honor all requests for interpretation and child care, based on availability.

Workshop Title: _____

Date: _____ Location _____

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Deliver this registration form to your school office or mail to: **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PUBLIC AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT, OFFICE OF FAMILY ENGAGEMENT, 501 N. DIXON ST., PORTLAND, OR 97208**

School staff: Please PONY this form to the Office of Family Engagement/Community Involvement and Public Affairs at the BESC (Blanchard Educational Service Center).

Если вам нужна помощь с переводом этой информации на родной язык, пожалуйста позвоните на горячую линию по телефону 503-916-3583.

Hadii aad u baantahay inaad si fiican u fahamto, fadlan soo wac 503-916-3586.

Si necesita ayuda con la comprensión de esta información, favor de llamar a 503-916-3582.

Nếu quý vị cần hiểu rõ về tin tức này, xin vui lòng gọi số 503-916-3584.

若各位需要明瞭這資訊, 請撥電話 503-916-3585.

The Portland Public Schools Parent Academy serves parents and families in Portland, Oregon. The Parent Academy is a collaborative initiative of the PPS district and community-based partners to acknowledge, honor, support and promote family involvement in student achievement.

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COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT & PUBLIC AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

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www.pps.net/parent-academy

Parent Academy promotes family involvement in student achievement through workshops and classes. Interpretation in Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, Russian and Somali is available for many courses. For information about Parent Academy courses and to register: Spanish, 503-916-3582; Chinese, 503-916-3585; Vietnamese, 503-916-3584; Russian, 503-916-3583; Somali, 503-916-3586.

Parent Academy (家长学院) 通过学习班和课程来促进家庭在学生学业成就方面进行参与。西班牙语, 越南语, 俄语, 和索马里语的翻译服务将会在许多课上提供。若需更多关于**Parent Academy**课程和注册的信息, 请拨打以下电话: 中文; 503-916-3585

La Academia de Padres promueve la participación de las familias en los logros académicos de los estudiantes por medio de talleres y clases. Interpretación en español, chino, vietnamita, ruso y somalí están disponibles durante muchos de los cursos. Para información sobre los cursos de La Academia de Padres y para registrarse: español, 503-916-3582

Macadka Waalidku waxuu bixiyaa tababaro ku saabsan sidii uu qoysku uga qeyb-qaadanlahaa in ardeygu guuleysto. In-badan oo Tababaradaan ka mid ah waxaa lagu turjumidoonaa luqada Soomaaliga. Hadii aad rabtid macluumaad dheeri ah, ama aad rabtid in aad is qortid, Soo wac (503) 916-3586

Học viện Phụ huynh thúc đẩy và khuyến khích sự tham gia của gia đình trong thành tích học sinh thông qua các hội thảo và các lớp học. Giải thích thông dịch trong của tiếng Tây Ban Nha, Trung Quốc, tiếng Việt, tiếng Nga và Somali là có sẵn cho nhiều khóa học. Để biết thông tin về các khóa học Học viện Phụ huynh và đăng ký xin gọi: Tiếng Việt, 503-916-3584

Родительская Академия, посредством проведения полезных семинаров и курсов для родителей, способствует их более активному участию в школьной жизни детей. На многих курсах предоставляются переводы на испанском, китайском, вьетнамском, русском и сомалийском языках. За более подробной информацией о Родительской Академии и регистрации звоните по данным телефонам: русский язык, 503-916-3583