



•	Awareness Level Session 1 Parent Engagement: Helping Your Child Achieve Academic Success	Awareness Level Session 2 Building Bridges: Family and School Communication
Key Concepts	<ul> <li>Importance of family engagement</li> <li>Levels of parent/guardian involvement/engagement</li> <li>Home learning opportunities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Importance of family/school collaboration</li> <li>Effective School/Family Communication</li> <li>Information Access Rights</li> </ul>
Session Objectives	<ol> <li>To emphasize and stress the importance of family engagement for student academic success.</li> <li>To provide participants with information on the various levels/types of parent/guardian involvement and to engage them to become active participants.</li> <li>To provide information and tools for participants to create and maintain a positive learning environment at home conducive to developing positive work and study habits.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>To help participants be informed the importance and impact of an authentic collaboration between families and schools.</li> <li>To look at effective communication strategies that participants can use to build strong collaborative bridges between families and schools.</li> </ol>
Learning Outcomes	<ol> <li>Participants will share why parent/guardian engagement in the academic process is important to student success.</li> <li>Participants will know about the various levels/types of parent involvement</li> <li>Participants will be aware of how to provide learning opportunities for their children at home and in their community</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Participants will be informed of their role in building a strong school-family collaboration and the positive impact this has for their child's academic success.</li> <li>Participants will be encouraged to attend a teacher/parent conference</li> </ol>
Handout samples	Questions to Ask Your Child About School     Home Learning Opportunities	Home-School Communication Strategies





	Awareness Level Session 2 Education in the Digital World	Awareness Level Session 4 Understanding the US System of Education
Key Concepts	Use of Technology to Enhance Education (including "STEAM" in the curriculum)	➤ Structure of U.S. School System ➤ School Governance
Session Objectives	<ol> <li>To help parents know of the importance of increasing student interest in STEAM careers and their impact in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.</li> <li>To help parents be aware of the responsibilities of parents and schools to safeguard and monitor children's Internet use.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>To provide participants with the basic information on the U.S. educational system in order to ensure they understand its structure and educational options available to support student learning.</li> <li>To clarify the roles and responsibilities of school boards, superintendents, principals and teachers</li> </ol>
Learning Outcomes	<ol> <li>Participants will be aware of what technological skills and abilities their children will need to compete in today's job market.</li> <li>Participants will be informed of safeguards to protect their children's safety during Internet use.</li> </ol>	Participants will know about the levels of the US educational structure.     Participants will identify critical persons involved in the education of their children
Handouts Samples	Ten Things Parents Can do to Monitor Internet Activities     Instant Message and Text Guide	Education in the United States     School Governance





	Awareness Level Session 5 Basic Components of The Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESSA)	Awareness Level Session 6 Common Core Standards: An Introduction for Parents
Key Concepts	<ul> <li>Basic components of ESSA</li> <li>ESSA Parent/Guardian Rights and Responsibilities</li> </ul>	➤ Academic Common Core Content and Performance Standards  ➤ State Exams
Session Objectives	<ol> <li>To provide participants with basic information on ESSA so participants can make informed educational decisions for their children.</li> <li>To provide participants examples of their roles, rights and responsibilities under ESSA and to highlight the importance of their involvement in the education of their children.</li> </ol>	1. To inform parents about Common Core State Academic Content and Performance Standards used to establish and guide classroom curriculum development and lesson plans.  2. To provide participants with information about the purpose of State Standardized Assessments (SBAC) and how these tests affect school and student grade level expectations so participants can make better informed decisions.
Learning Outcomes	<ol> <li>Participants will know how ESSA ensures that their child(ren) are provided with a quality and equal education as defined by federal law.</li> <li>Participants are will know of parent/guardian roles, responsibilities and rights under ESSA</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Participants will know reasons why State Common Core Standards are important to monitor student progress at various grade levels.</li> <li>Participants will know where to obtain the standards that apply to their child's grade level and if their child's work reflects high academic standards.</li> <li>Participants will know about the standardized tests used in their child's grade level, learn how to interpret their child's test scores and know about some questions they can ask their child's teacher</li> </ol>
Handouts	Facts and Terms Every Parent Should Know About ESSA	<ol> <li>California Common Core State Academic Content Standards</li> <li>Information for Parents Form</li> <li>Helping Your Child Perform Well on Tests</li> </ol>





	Awareness Level Session 7 System of School Accountability	Awareness Level Session 8 Academic Programs
Key Concepts	<ul> <li>State and Federal Accountability Systems</li> <li>LCFF/LCAP</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Equitable Education Concept</li> <li>Academic Program Opportunities</li> </ul>
Session Objectives	<ol> <li>To explain the changes in State accountability requirements and how they impact education in their schools.</li> <li>To provide participants with information on how student academic achievement is measured and monitored.</li> <li>To know about LCFF and LCAP and the changes that have been made in the accountability system</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>To have participants know about the concept of an equitable education as it applies to the quality of their children's education.</li> <li>To inform participants of academic programs that may be available for each of their children.</li> </ol>
Learning Outcomes	Participants will be informed how school achievement data impact schools and the quality of their children's education.     Participants will be informed of LCFF/LCAP guidelines     Participants will be informed about the SBAC measuring system     Participants will learn about the 8 priorities of the LCFF	<ol> <li>Participants will be informed of what it means to receive an equitable education and to identify available academic programs at their school.</li> <li>Participants will be informed of the basic components and eligibility to participate in the academic programs available to their children.</li> </ol>
Sample Handouts	1. Guide to School Accountability	Academic Program Opportunities





	Awareness Level Session 9 Role of Parent Committees	Awareness Level Session 10  Beyond High School
Key Concepts	<ul><li>State Mandated Parent Committees</li><li>Effective Parent Committees</li></ul>	<ul><li>Importance of a College Education</li><li>Educational Options in California for College Preparation</li></ul>
Session Objectives	<ol> <li>To have participants be aware of the functions and importance of the school and district parent committees such as SSC, DELAC, ELAC, DAC and PTA/PTO/PTFO and others in their district</li> <li>To inform participants of the purpose and role of the parent committees and learn strategies to engage in the advisory and/or decision making process.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>To inform of the importance of continuing an education and the requirements for a post-secondary education.</li> <li>To inform of the options available for higher education available in California</li> <li>To provide participants with information regarding the requirements and financial planning needed and financial aid available to apply to a post-secondary institution and a career.</li> </ol>
Learning Outcomes	<ol> <li>Participants will know about parent committees and know about reasons why each is important to the school's educational development plan.</li> <li>Participants will be informed of how to join a parent committee, what responsibilities are involved, and how they can be effective members.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Participants will be informed of how a post-secondary education can impact their children and insure a better lifestyle for their future.</li> <li>Participants will have information about higher education and will advocate for their children so they have access to courses that meet higher education requirements.</li> </ol>
Sample Handouts	1. Parent Committees	<ol> <li>A-G Requirements</li> <li>School and Beyond</li> <li>(Optional) SAT or ACT: How to Help Your Child Get Read</li> </ol>





Key	Awareness Level Session 11  Early Childhood Education  > Benefits of Early Childhood Education	Awareness Level Session 12 Goal Setting  Importance of Goal Setting
Concepts	Early Childhood Education Programs	> SMART Goals
Session Objectives	<ol> <li>To inform of the importance of their role as their children's first teachers in early childhood education and encourage their participation in the developmental process that helps prepare their child(ren) for school.</li> <li>To introduce participants to early childhood education programs, services, and resources in their communities along with the basic requirements in order to be able to access services.</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>To inform the importance of setting personal and academic goals for themselves and for their children.</li> <li>To have participants know of the concept of SMART goals to determine their own skill level and knowledge of setting goals.</li> </ol>
Learning Outcomes	<ol> <li>Participants will know about the five stages of child growth and development.</li> <li>Participants will be aware of the necessary steps and requirements to enroll their child(ren) in an early childhood education program in their community.</li> </ol>	Participants will know about the concept of SMART goals to establish long and short-term goals for themselves and their children
Sample Handouts	. 1. Kindergarten Readiness Checklist	Goal Setting: The Foundation of Success     Steps for Successful Goal Setting and Achievement