

Parent Leadership Initiative (PLI)



Have you ever thought about getting involved with your community or school, but did not know how? Are you interested in learning more about government systems and how they work? Would you like to explore how to effect change through advocacy? Are you open to meeting new people and learning about cultures and experiences that may be different from yours? If yes, P.L.I. is for you!

The Parent Leadership Initiative (P.L.I.) is actively recruiting for our upcoming sessions. We continue to seek individuals who are interested in learning how to create caring and more equitable communities where members have more resources, access and opportunities to be advocates for children and agents for change.

This season will kick off with our Retreat on February 8, 2020, welcoming participants from across Suffolk County. Our consistent theme, *“we are the change that we seek”*, is based on President Obama’s quote related to civic engagement. The goal of P.L.I. is to give parents, caregivers and community members the tools and skills needed to effect positive change for their communities, with the premise that if we create a model that uplifts children, all members benefit by extension.

Our classes begin with building bridges; listening to each other’s story and life experiences, breaking down barriers that create stereotypes and division, and learning to find the shared commonality. As we meet on a weekly basis, sessions allow the participants to identify areas in the community that need to be strengthened and find their individual passion and voice to achieve that goal. Classes include public speaking, structures of government and the history of Long Island, culminating in a community project based on identified needs.

Classes are offered weekly across Suffolk County at no cost to the participants. Family support is provided with a light dinner and child care if needed. For more information, or to receive an application, please contact Denise Ham, Director P.L.I. Suffolk County at (631) 462-0303 ext. 101, or by e-mail, DHam@childcaresuffolk.org.



Create a Caring Community for Children



PLI participants brainstorming during a weekly session.

Have you ever thought about getting involved with your community or school, but did not know how?

- Explore the needs and resources in your community
- Build relationships with diverse group of people
- Learn how government and systems work
- Explore how to see change through advocacy
- Create a step by step plan to create change in your community

Evening weekly classes

Sessions begin late January through early June

Family support provided: light dinner and child care if needed

PLI is a no-cost program provided by the Child Care Council of Suffolk and the Child Care Council of Nassau

Various Locations across Long Island:

Eastern, Western, and Central Suffolk, Nassau County

PLI offered in Spanish

For more information about P.L.I.:

Visit our website at www.parentleadershipinitiativeli.org or

Contact us by phone at 631-462-0303 or email parentleadershipli@childcaresuffolk.org





CREANDO UNA COMUNIDAD SOLIDARIA PARA NUESTROS NIÑOS



Participantes aportando ideas durante una sesión semanal.

¿Ha pensado alguna vez en involucrarse en su comunidad o escuela pero sin saber cómo?

- Explore las necesidades y recursos en su comunidad
- Construya relaciones con un grupo diverso de personas
- Aprenda como funcionan los sistemas del gobierno
- Aprenda como ver los cambios a través de abogacía
- Haga un plan para crear cambios en su comunidad

Clases nocturnas semanales.

Las sesiones comienzan a finales de Enero y terminan a principio de Junio.
Se provee apoyo para la familia: cena liviana y cuidado de niños, si se necesita.
PLI es sin costo alguno y es proveido por Child Care Council of Suffolk y Child Care Council of Nassau

Varios locales en Long Island:

En el Este, Oeste, y en el área Central del condado de Suffolk y el condado de Nassau.
PLI también se ofrece en español.

Para más información llame a PLI

Visite nuestro sitio web en www.parentleadershipinitiativeli.org

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