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PARENTS ARE IMPORTANT FOR THE SUCCESS OF OUR PROGRAMS

“Where the love of the parents, the knowledge of the professionals, and the joy of the child become mingled, there truly is rich soil for growth.”

Academy has always valued the support and expertise of parents. Since 1981 Academy parents have partnered with our professional staff to make Academy programs successful extensions of the community.

There are all types of ways parents can become involved and stay involved with their children’s educational programs throughout their lives.

- **Get involved** with the entire school program by joining the parent council (PTA, PTO, PTeXchange or whatever parent group is available). The council meets a few times a year and establishes committees to meet the mission and needs of the school. There is a need to organize several committees for a successful Parent/School partnership.
- **Council organizers**- responsible for establishing committees and monitoring their progress. After the first year the council works with the Center Director and staff to identify goals, objectives, actions, and outcomes.
- **Communication committee**- phone tree or e-mail, Web page, etc.
- **Center Educational Accreditation** - MSDE Accreditation and NAEYC Self-Appraisal Team Representatives needed to participate in establishing goals and objectives.
- **Special Events**- Assist with organizing guest speakers, grandparent day, Father/Mother breakfast/ teas/ activities, Back-to-school Night, End of Year family event, etc.
- **Curriculum**- To develop an understanding of our curriculum objectives/ indicators, current research and its implications for early childhood education
- **Fundraising/Development**- In order to maintain high quality staff and keep tuition at a competitive level, we need parents who have experience in writing grants, organizing and setting up fundraising activities, seek and secure corporate sponsorships, etc.
- **Intercultural committee**- Parents are encouraged to share information about their customs and culture that is appropriate for young children.
- **Book review committee**- This committee reviews books and software.
- **Room Parents**- liaison for other parents in the classroom, assist the classroom teachers with special activities.

If you can spare any amount of time to volunteer, please complete the survey and return to your center director at your Parent Orientation meeting. Thank You.



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PARTNERSHIP SURVEY

Center: _____ Classroom: _____

On which committees would you be interested in participating?

Parent/Teacher Exchange Council _____	Co-leader? _____	2-3 meetings per year
Communications _____		1 meeting, e-mails
Center Accreditation Team _____		1 orientation meeting, e-mails
Special Events _____		1 meeting, contacts, e-mail
Curriculum _____		1 meeting, readings, videos
Fundraising/Development _____		Depends on action plan
Intercultural Committee _____		E-mail and phone calls
Book/software preview _____		At your leisure
Room Parent _____		Classroom contact, e-mails

Please list other ways you can volunteer your time and/or expertise.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Name(s): _____

What are the best times for you to meet? _____

How can we best contact you? Phone: _____

E-mail: _____