Family Partnership Institute – Special Edition

The Family Partnership Institute is an activity that is open to families, community partners and educators. It provides participants with important information on community supports and resources.

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Wednesday, March 4, 2020-5:00pm-7:30pm

Click here to register:  https://www.clevelandmetroschools.org/Page/15066

The workshops this round include; Reading Mentors, How to Succeed in College, Using the Academic Playbook, Sending Your Child to College for Free, ManTalk, Understanding New Math, Understanding the IEP process in Early Childhood, Understanding the Parent Role in the IEP Process, Health and Nutrition, and Student Mental Health and Wellness. Let’s look a little more in depth into the workshops:

**Reading Mentors:**
This is a hands-on interactive sessions that allows participants to explore and manipulate materials and/or resources that will engage families with concepts, ideas, role playing, and implementation strategies to support scholars who struggle to read.

**A Six Week Health Challenge**
Through both my education and professional experience I understand the importance of a healthy-lifestyle and understanding food ingredients. By fostering a sustainable lifestyle change, this allows for the possibility of continuous improvement in the quality of healthy living for the entire family.

**Peer Pantry Health** workshops will explore different body types and meal plans that will offer a pathway to healthy sustainable eating habits (and if desired, weight loss.)
Secrets to Surviving College
Chris Scott shares the story of making it out of the inner city and into college. His message is one of how to build skills, how to access resources, and how to develop the resiliency it takes to survive in college, a new and uncharted territory for many inner-city kids.

Getting to Know Special Education in Early Childhood
The Preschool Assessment Clinic works with families and agencies in the Cleveland School District to help ensure that all children ages 3-5 have access to the services they need. We assist families in making the transition from Preschool to Kindergarten. Find out all the services that we have to offer.

How to Send Your Child to College for FREE (or for as little money as possible)
Every year thousands of high school students go to college for free. Why shouldn’t your child? However, there are 10 requirements your child must meet to get a free college education. Learn college terminology and how to navigate the college-going process.

Man Talk United
Review the importance of healthy Father-Scholar interactions and increased Father/Father-Figure presence. Join the discussion with other fathers and father figures.

Student Health and Wellness
LifeAct’s goal is to raise awareness among young teens about unhealthy behaviours that indicate that a teen is struggling and needs help from an adult. Students and parents will learn to identify the outward manifestations of depression; how to recognize the warning signs; and steps to address issues and concerns.

Family School Partnerships
Using the “Academic Playbook” to help ask the necessary questions regarding your child’s academic progress and development.

Understanding “New Math”
Learn how to better understand the “New Math” scholars are being taught in school. Discuss the expectations in grades K – 8 and how to better support their understanding at home.

You Are Important: A Parent’s Role on the IEP Team
Review the IEP process and parent’s rights as well as transitioning with your IEP.
The following Exhibitors will be present to present information:

Cleveland Housing Network, Census 2020, Cleveland Public Library, CareSource, Department of Aging, Ohio Guidestone Workforce, Buckeye Health, National Youth Advocate Program, MindMatters, and others.

As always, dinner and school age childcare will be provided. It promises to be worth your time!!!

KEEPING OUR STUDENTS HEALTHY AND OUR SCHOOLS SAFE DURING FLU SEASON

Our CMSD nursing staff is closely monitoring updates from the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and from local health and emergency management officials. As we gather more information, we will be sharing updates, resources and guidance. In the meantime, we are reminding families to take the precautions we recommend every year during cold and flu season:

- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
- Use an alcohol-based (60%) hand sanitizer, if soap and water are not available
- Cover your mouth and nose while coughing or sneezing
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth
- Practice good health habits
- Stay home or keep your child home when sick or a fever reaches 100.4
- Do not return to work or school until a fever has subsided and you/your child is off medication for at least 24 hours

Thank you for partnering with us to keep our students and staff healthy and our schools safe during flu and cold season this year, and for taking time to update every child's emergency contact numbers in our student information system.

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Make sure your family is counted!

Every 10 years, the United States Census Bureau undertakes a mammoth task: counting all the people residing in the United States. This count affects the allocation of funding for our community’s public resources (e.g., roads, hospitals, schools), how we plan for the future, and our voice in government.

Learn more about the importance of the 2020Census and how to participate:

2020census.gov.

How the Census helps our schools:

The once-a-decade population count serves as the basis for distributing federal assistance to schools and educational institutions, including Title I aid, the National School Lunch Program, and special education grants to states.

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The Family and Community Engagement office of CMSD has developed an evening for parents/caregivers and families of CMSD Scholars to gather together with each other, Educators, and Community members to collaborate on how to support the scholar’s educational success.

The Family Partnership Institute is an activity that is open to families, community partners and educators. The purpose is to provide participants with important information on District initiatives, protocols, processes, goals, community supports and resources. We want to learn about family needs and encourage contributions to emphasize how we all add value for the scholar’s success. It will include a time of sharing and gathering information both formally (workshop sessions), and informally (healthy meal, vendors, and networking). It is an opportunity to come together and do some teambuilding (Family, School, and Community) and emphasize the importance of collaborating together for our scholar’s success. We all need to be at the table together planning and supporting.

Join the Team!!!!!!