Presentation from Parent Academy for Student Education Opportunity (PASEO)





| Week | Title of Lesson | Objectives |
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| 1 | The Importance of the First Years in All Areas of Child Development | Understand the developmental stages children go through during the first five years. Comprehend the need to identify developmental issues as soon as possible. Understand the importance of helping our child's brain develop in all areas: social, emotional, intellectual, and physical. Know the characteristics we must look for to have quality child care. |
| 2 | Language Development | Understand the importance of talking to our children even before birth, to help them develop their language skills. Understand the close relationship between speaking, listening, singing and reading and a healthy socioemotional development. Know how to help their children increase their vocabulary and communicate better, by integrating playful learning activities into their daily routines. Understand that no matter what language is spoken at home, strong language skills and a broad vocabulary in any language will help our children develop advanced brain functions. |
| 3 | Preparing our Children for Reading | Understand that literacy begins at home, not at school. Identify the five elements of literacy: Listening, speaking, thinking, reading, and writing. Know open-ended questions to ask their children while reading, to motivate them to think and speak about books. Recognize activities we can do intentionally, to increase and reinforce literacy skills. |
| 4 | Developing Math Skills at an Early Age | Recognize the presence of mathematics in everyday life, and include math concepts in conversations with our children (Example: "How many?", "Bigger than", "This is heavy", etc.). Know the definition of STEM and its importance. Be familiar with various engaging activities that can help our children develop mathematical abilities. Learn how to use objects from home (toys, shoes, boxes, etc.) to teach our children about |



| | | mathematical concepts. • Feel comfortable sharing our mathematical abilities with our children, in an enjoyable way. |
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| 5 | Getting Ready for School | Know what is expected of our children in the different areas of development, prior to starting school. Understand the importance of school readiness and how early school experiences can affect future academic achievements. Know the definition of ACEs and the impact in a child's life. Be familiar with activities that help families develop socioemotional skills. |
| 6 | Preparing Our Children for Kindergarten | Know the skills our children need in order to be successful in kindergarten. Know that "playtime" is one of the most important ways our children learn. Know different strategies that can be used to better prepare our children for kindergarten. Be familiar with the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) for Kindergarten |



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| 1 | Establishing the Collaboration Between Home, School and Community | Understand the close relationship that should exist between the home, school, and community to support the academic success of their children. Recognize the value of homework within education. Be familiar with the programs and services available at school and in the community to help our students. Recognize the 21st century competencies students will need to develop in order to be competitive in a globalized world. Identify the five key points necessary to attend a university. |
| 2 | Fostering Self-esteem and Academic Achievement | Understand the influence that parents and teachers have on the self-esteem of children. Identify strategies to develop positive self-esteem in our children. Know the correlation between students' self-esteem and their academic performance. Identify GPA as an important element for increasing our children's opportunities to attend a university. |
| 3 | Relating Positive Discipline with Academic Achievement | Understand the concept of discipline as a synonym of "guide" and not "punishment." Understand the importance of setting reasonable rules and consequences at home. Identify ways in which we can teach our children about "deferred gratification." Analyze the five pillars of positive discipline. Understand the relationship between positive discipline and academic achievement. |
| 4 | Reviewing the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills and Prepare | Understand the academic expectations being required of our children by the TEKS Identify age-appropriate strategies to create a home environment that supports children's academic development. Recognize the benefits of a parent-teacher conference and know how to make it an |



| | for the Teacher Conference | effective conference. • Understand that a solid academic foundation prepares students to take high school classes required for college admission. |
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| 5 | Gaining a Better Understanding of the School System | Be familiar with Texas' standardized testing program (STAAR). Identify important programs that can support our children's learning in school Identify the importance of Standardized Testing in our children's education. |
| 6 | Becoming familiar with College Requirements | Understand the benefits of going to college. Identify the main university admission requirements and what children can do in elementary to start preparing to be able to meet them. Recognize the importance of taking classes that are academically rigorous (Honors and AP Classes) during high school. Understand the benefits children can obtain from participating in extracurricular activities. Be familiar with ways to finance a college education. |