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**PARENTS,
SCHOOLS, AND
DISTRICT IN
PARTNERSHIP.**

**District Goal 03
Improve Student and
Parent Engagement**





Photo: Math parent workshop.

MISSION

Family University is a respectful and all-inclusive platform to engage families as equal partners to improve student achievement for brighter futures.

VISION

Our vision is to ensure a safe, welcoming and diverse environment that nurtures growth and development for life-long leaders. In all our pursuits, we strive to build community; bridging partnerships between families, school and district.

HISTORY

Family University was piloted at Anderson Elementary School in the 2017-18 school year. Due to its positive response, it was expanded and implemented districtwide in the 2018-19 school year.



Photo: Parents and staff at the CAFE Annual Conference.

THREE WAYS TO ENGAGE

The three tiers of engagement are created for you to discover resources, and learn what is happening in your student's school and throughout our school district. It also provides a pathway to become a parent leader.

TIER

1

**VOLUNTEER, ONLINE
OR IN-PERSON
PARTICIPATION.**

TIER

2

**PARENT ADVISORY
COMMITTEES.**

TIER

3

**LEADERSHIP AND
MENTORSHIP.**

VOLUNTEER

There is no small part in what you can contribute.



The Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) facilitates volunteer opportunities, celebrates diversity and culture by hosting events, and raises money to support school programs through membership and beyond. All members and non-members are welcome to join PTA activities and meetings! Get your PTA membership online at jointotem.com/ca/lawndale

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Click on the school link to view all the activities and to sign-up. The school Community Liaison will connect with you to review the Volunteer Handbook and begin the onboarding process.

SCHOOL	VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY	SCHOOL	VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY
FDR ES	ROAR Cart Gardening FamilyU Center	Green ES	Spirit Wear Sale Teacher Projects eStore
Twain ES	Teacher Appreciation OAR Store Family Nights	Mitchell ES	Valet Gardening Student Store
Anderson ES	Dolphin Store Turkey Trot Gardening	Smith ES	Cheetah Run PTA Fundraiser Family Nights
Rogers MS	8th Grade Promotion	Addams MS	8th Grade Promotion

ENGAGE IN-PERSON

Hands-on learning.

Family University offers many ways for families to engage at school as well as district-wide. Classes range from math, literacy, ESL to technology and wellbeing workshops.

By actively participating in your student's education, you stay informed, get exposed to resources, build a supportive community and gain a better understanding of your student's educational experience.

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CALENDAR

Stay in the loop!

Frequent the Family University calendar to plan ahead and attend the event of your interest across the district.

Photo: Teacher Specialists hosted mini math lessons for parents.

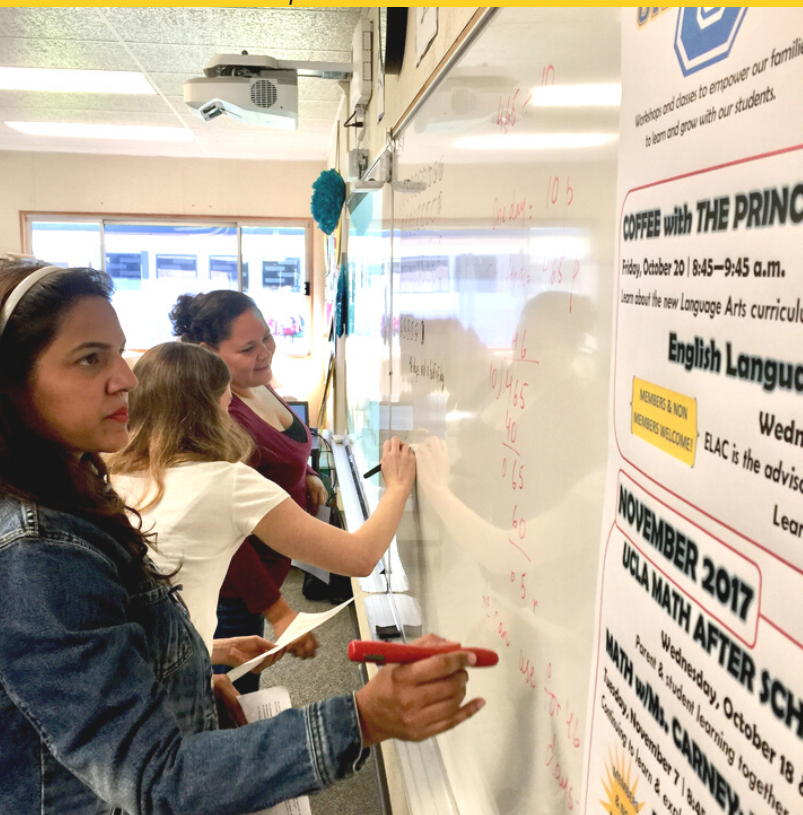


Photo: Parent leaders facilitating district parent advisory committee meetings.

ENGAGE ONLINE

TIER continued
1

Live, on-demand, and at your pace.

Attend live parent meetings or follow the trimester guide to build knowledge in support of your student throughout the school year.

TRIMESTER 1	TRIMESTER 2	TRIMESTER 3
Learn the Lingo (3-Part Series)	Math and English Language Development	What is the LCAP?
PowerSchool ClassDojo ClassLink	What is an English Learner and the reclassification process?	State Testing
Zoom 101	Social Emotional Learning Bridge to Better Behavior	Bridge to Middle School
Chromebook 101	Nutrition 101	

CERTIFICATE

- AT THE END OF THE VIDEO, PLEASE TELL US ABOUT IT BY COMPLETING THE GOOGLE FORM. A CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION WILL BE WAITING FOR YOU! ○



COMMITTEES & ENGAGEMENT

TIER
2

Learn about the different parent committees and attend the meetings that interest you. From the goals and objectives for African American students to giving input on school programs for English Learners, and getting familiar with how funds are allocated and spent to meet the needs of all students.

SCHOOL LEVEL PARENT COMMITTEES

English Language Advisory Committee (ELAC)

Parent-Teacher Association (PTA)

School Site Council (SSC)

DISTRICT LEVEL PARENT COMMITTEES

African American Parent Advisory Committee

District English Language Advisory Committee

District Parent Advisory Committee

SCHOOL LEVEL EVENT PARTICIPATION

Annual events such as jog-a-thons, family nights, gardening day, school and teacher projects, decoration committees, and beyond!

DISTRICT LEVEL EVENT PARTICIPATION

Participation and completion of a leadership development program like Building Stronger Communities or equivalent.

LEADERSHIP & MENTORSHIP



Parents are partners in leading our school district. Working in unison, parents become strong advocates for all students to have brighter futures.

Help Spread Awareness

Parents generally listen best to other parent peers who can share from experiences. Consider partnering with us to help spread awareness of a worthy cause by co-hosting an information booth at a public event for:

- The Lawndale ESD Educational Foundation
- The Lawndale ESD Family University program

Elected Officer

Find a committee that interests you and attend the meetings to expand your knowledge in that area. Officers serve a 2-year term, are elected by parent peers, and are guided and supported by district staff.

Parent to Parent Mentorship

By sharing your experience and knowledge with other parents, you exercise your role as a leader in making positive changes in our schools.

COMMUNITY LIAISONS

*Connecting families to resources, personal development,
school, and the district.*



Gricell Rodriguez

FDR ELEMENTARY



Belem Gomez

TWAIN ELEMENTARY

Ana Tapia

ROGERS MIDDLE SCHOOL



Gabriela Gonzalez

ANDERSON ELEMENTARY

Belem Mancillas

ADDAMS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Sarai Cuevas

GREEN ELEMENTARY



Evelyn Duarte

MITCHELL ELEMENTARY

Joselyn Guerra

SMITH ELEMENTARY

WHOLE STUDENT IN MIND

In addition to 21st Century environments, we provide services and resources that support student wellness and academic success.

- Academic Counselors (middle schools)
- Health Clerks (all schools)
- District Nurses
- District Social Worker
- School Social Workers (all schools)
- Community Liaisons (all schools)
- Medi-Cal Outreach Specialist
- R.A.P. Before and After School Program (all schools)
- Teacher Specialists
 - English Learner Instructional Resource Teacher
 - Language Arts Specialist
 - Math Teacher on Special Assignment (all schools)
 - Science Teacher on Special Assignment
 - Technology Specialist
- Special Education Team