



The Parent Leadership
Training Institute

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A Free Civics and Democracy Leadership Training Program for
Parents and Community Members

The **Parent Leadership Training Institute** enables parents to become advocates for children. This program helps parents develop the civic skills necessary to connect with government, analyze civic issues and bring about change.

2025 - 2026 CLASS SCHEDULE



August 2025
Wednesdays
5:30 pm to 8:30 pm



Community Center
645 7th St, Los Banos,
CA 93635

TRAINING

Parents are offered four phases of training:

1. A retreat to develop the group and define the mission.
2. A 10-week course on parent leadership.
3. A 10-week study of politics, policy and media.
4. A community project to practice the learning within a community context.

Childcare provided for children ages 3 to 12

WHO IS ELIGIBLE

Anyone that desires to improve the lives of children, families and communities can apply.

HOW TO APPLY

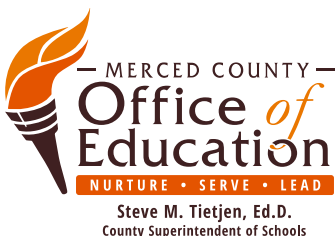
Register Online by using the **QR Code** below:



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- Week 1: Thriving with Diversity in the Group Process
- Week 2: The Change Process
- Week 3: Parents As Change Agents
- Week 4: How to Define a Problem and Work Toward Solutions
- Week 5: The Intentional Use of Language
- Week 6: Learning How a Community Works
- Week 7: How Local Systems Work and How to Interact with Them
- Week 8: Networks
- Week 9: The Power of the Media and How to Use It
- Week 10: Using Your Voice
- Week 11: The Life Cycle of a Child & The Functions of the Family
- Week 12: Social & Economic Trends Affecting Children & Families
- Week 13: What is Public Policy
- Week 14: How the State Works
- Week 15: How the City Works
- Week 16: How Do We Understand the Law
- Week 17: Budget-From Wallets to State-It's all Money & Priorities
- Week 18: Evaluations, Outcomes and Accountability
- Week 19: The Magic of the Unexpected: Forming New Alliances
- Week 20: Language: Packaging and Moving Agendas

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