

# LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT - Private Schools Program

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#### TITLE I PARENT INVOLVEMENT WORKSHOPS

The Title I Parent Workshop Series is designed to help parents develop strategies to help their children become stronger, more independent readers and mathematicians. Each session has been developed to:

- promote parent interaction through engaging, fun activities
- provide multiple opportunities to practice skills
- reflect real-life examples and activities to support/extend learning at home
- identify key academic vocabulary and how parents can highlight and emphasize academic terms
- provide handouts and resources to follow-up at home



# 1. Comprehension Skill: Making Predictions

In this workshop, parents will learn about the Making Prediction strategy in which readers use information from the text they are reading and their personal experiences to anticipate what they are about to read. Anticipation and prediction are key characteristics of effective reading and is an on-going process that actively engages the reader.

# 2. Comprehension Skill: Drawing Inferences

Drawing Inferences is the process of combining the current text information with one's own experiences so that a reader can deduce meaning that is not directly stated in the text. This skill promotes the use of prior knowledge, improves the ability to understand complex text, improves the ability to understand and infer cause and effect relationships, and engages readers in higher level thinking. Participants will engage in activities to learn and practice the Drawing Inferences reading comprehension skill. They will also learn practical applications to use at home to support student learning.

#### 3. Comprehension Skill: Author's Purpose

Authors always have a purpose for writing. They write to persuade, inform or entertain. Understanding the author's purpose helps readers to identify the type of text they are reading so they can choose appropriate comprehension skills and strategies. Participants will practice using use sentence frames and graphic organizers that will support student learning at home.

# 4. Comprehension Skill: Cause and Effect

This workshop will introduce and develop content knowledge of the reading skill Cause and Effect. The comprehension skill of Cause and Effect enables readers to analyze information more thoughtfully and to think more critically. Participants will use sentence frames and graphic organizers to support students use of this skill. They will also participate in activities that will support learning at home.

#### 5. Comprehension Skill: Making Connections

Readers who make connections between what they're reading and life experiences, other texts, and/or world events are more actively engaged and therefore comprehend and retain more content. Parents will receive and learn to use sentence frames and graphic organizers to support student use of this important comprehension skill. Participants will also explore academic vocabulary linked to this skill.

# 6. Supporting the California English Language Arts (ELA) Standards at Home

This workshop will define the California Standards (Common Core), help participants understand the educational shifts in ELA, examine questions based in the new Standards, and provide resources that will assist parents to help their children at home.

# 7. Improving Fluency and Comprehension by Mastering High Frequency Words

This workshop is intended to engage parents in helping their children learn the most commonly used words in the English language. The activities presented during this workshop are easy for parents to use with their children, and the benefits include results that are measurable and can be seen quickly.

## 8. Supporting Language Development at Home

Participants at this training will understand the importance of promoting language development at home; learn the domains and skills that comprise language development; and learn specific ways to support language development at home.

## 9. Supporting Home Learning for All Students

Attendees will learn about 33 strategies teachers use to accommodate diverse student learning styles and will select some strategies relevant to their children's specific learning style that can be used at home.

10. Eight Habits to Develop Critical Thinkers and Confidant Problem-Solvers: Approaches to Common Core Math At this workshop, parents will learn how to promote positive attitudes about math and help children think like mathematicians. The workshop will provide resources and information to use at home to support math learning.

# 11. College and Career Readiness

This 3-module presentation explains what the UC/CalState A-G requirements are, how preparation for college success begins in Kindergarten, and provides strategies that can be used to support college and career readiness.

