Save the date for our 27th Annual Parent Leadership Conference!

MARCH 27-28, 2020

SHATTERING THE NORM OF PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

LOCATION
DoubleTree by Hilton
3003 Corporate W Dr
Lisle, IL 60532

REGISTRATION FEES (PER PERSON)
ALL MEALS INCLUDED
Single occupancy room: $495
Double occupancy room: $445
Materials only (not overnight): $395

Note: Title I Parent Involvement funds, Supplemental General State Aid (SGSA) and Professional Development funds can be used to cover the cost of attendance.

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS
Interactive Empowerment Workshops (En Español)
Inspirational Guest Speakers
Supportive Help Desk Counseling (En Español)
Resources, Partnerships & Networking
Peer Coaching & Planning (Intérprete)
Parent-of-the-Year Awards Ceremony

RSVP
To RSVP, for Parent of the Year nominations, or to donate, contact Della Ezell, 312.404.3202, dezell@youth-guidance.org or Rodney Brown, 312.404.3058, rbrown@youth-guidance.org or visit www.youth-guidance.org
Principals, Asst. Principals, LSC, PAC, BAC & PTA Members:

Youth Guidance’s 27th Annual Parent Leadership Conference is fast approaching! Please mark your calendar for Friday, March 27, and Saturday, March 28, 2020. This highly interactive conference is designed to be enlightening, empowering, and educational for parent leaders, teachers, paraprofessionals, principals, and community leaders.

Our goals are to:
◊ Increase meaningful parental involvement in schools
◊ Promote a safe and nurturing school climate
◊ Develop social and emotional skills
◊ Provide resources, skills, and strategies at home and in schools

2020 Theme: “Shattering the Norm of Parent & Family Engagement”

Seminars and Workshops will address:

**Friday General Session:**
*Enhancing the Home-School Connection – Thinking Outside the Box*

**Saturday General Session:**
*Integrating Sustainable Strategies to Improve School, Culture and Climate*

**Breakout Sessions:**

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Some sessions will be conducted in Spanish.
Dates: Friday, March 27 and Saturday, March 28, 2020

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Participation: To maximize impact, we ask schools to commit to sending a minimum of two (2) or more representatives.

Deadlines: Principals should complete and sign purchase orders for the number of representatives from your school by Wednesday, March 11, 2020. After this date no registrations will be accepted.

Pricing: The cost of this two-day conference includes overnight stay, meals, and all materials.

- $445.00 per person for a double occupancy room.
- $495.00 per person for a single occupancy room.
- $395.00 per person without overnight stay.

***Please be advised that Title I funds, Supplemental General State Aid (SGSA) and Professional Development funds can be used for this conference.

Transportation: Complimentary bus transportation to and from the conference site can be arranged upon request for overnight participants. The transportation coordinator will provide you with pick up times and locations. Transportation requests should be indicated on the registration form. Contact Rodney Brown, Conference Bus Transportation Coordinator at 312-404-3058 or rbrown@youth-guidance.org.

For further information:
Della Ezell, Manager of Parent and Family Engagement at (312) 404-3202
Rodney Brown, Family Engagement Coordinator at (312) 404-3058

We look forward to your participation in the Youth Guidance 27th Annual Parent Leadership Conference! Register Early!!!

With hope for all children, parents and caregivers,

Michelle Adler Morrison
Chief Executive Officer

Della Ezell
Manager of Parent/Family Engagement
## Conference Agenda & Schedule

### Friday, March 27, 2020

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<td>Networking / Photoshoot</td>
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<td>7:00 p.m. – Midnight</td>
<td>Awards Banquet/Entertainment</td>
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Workshop topics can sometimes bring forth intense emotions or the need for additional one-on-one support. Each day, skilled counselors will be stationed in the main lobby area to connect with conference attendees as needed. Please feel free to bring forward any questions and concerns.

- Family Resource Information
- Social Service Agency Referrals
- Emotional Distress
Dear Principals,

Youth Guidance will be hosting its 27th Annual Parent Leadership Conference on Friday, March 27, and Saturday, March 28, 2020. The conference will be filled with engaging workshops that provide parents with tools and strategies to implement back at their school, home, and community.

In addition to our wonderful conference, Friday night will be our Evening of Elegance. This event is an After Five formal affair in which Youth Guidance will present the Parent Leadership award to outstanding parents who go above and beyond the call of duty to ensure all children understand their self-worth and the importance of education.

We are requesting that you nominate a parent from your school to receive this award. The parent must be in attendance at the Parent Leadership Conference to accept the award.

The deadline for nominations is Wednesday, March 11, 2020. Please forward your nominee’s full name, contact information and work title to Jalonda Gaston, at jgaston@youth-guidance.org and Della Ezell, at dezell@youth-guidance.org.

Enclosed you will find characteristics/guidelines that should be referred to when making your selections. We look forward to hearing from you. It is time to prepare our parents so that Every Parent Will Succeed!

With hope for all children, parents and caregivers,

Michelle Morrison
Chief Executive Officer

Della Ezell
Family Engagement Manager/ Conference Visionary
REGISTRATION BEGINS NOW
Bus Transportation will be provided at designated pick up locations.

NAME
SCHOOL/ORGANIZATION
MAILING ADDRESS
ROOMMATE (ONLY FOR DOUBLE OCCUPANCY ROOMS)
PREFERRED PHONE
E-MAIL ADDRESS
SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS (meals, translations, disability)

TRANSPORTATION REQUEST
Single Occupancy Room  Double Occupancy Room

PAY BY CREDIT CARD
Visa  Mastercard
CREDIT CARD #: __________________________________
EXPIRATION DATE: ____________________________

PAY BY CHECK
Make checks payable to: Youth Guidance
Mail to: One North LaSalle #900
Chicago, IL 60602

PAY BY PURCHASE ORDER
PO #: ______________________________
Pod-up/Receipt#: _______________________
School Contact: _________________________
School Phone: ___________________________
School Fax: _____________________________

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?
• Title I PAC  • BAC  • PTA  • LSC Parents
• Principals  • AP’s  • Teachers  • Counselors
• Parents  • Administrators  • Community

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 18, 2020.
ABSOLUTELY NO REFUNDS
NO LATE REGISTRATION WILL BE ACCEPTED

$445.00 REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES: (Per person)
• Hotel Accommodations
  - Double Occupancy Room
  - Friday Night Only
• Conference Materials
• 5 Meals Included
AN ADDITIONAL $50.00 PER PERSON WILL BE CHARGED FOR SINGLE OCCUPANCY REQUESTS

$395.00 REGISTRATION FEE WITHOUT OVERNIGHT STAY

***REGISTRATION FORM CANNOT BE PROCESSED WITHOUT ACCOMPANYING PAYMENT***

ONLINE REGISTRATION AT
www.youth-guidance.org

FAX REGISTRATION FORM TO:
(312) 253-4917  CPS VENDOR NUMBER  11060

For additional information, please contact
Della Ezell (312) 404-3202; Rodney Brown (312) 404-3058
WHAT MAKES FOR A “PARENT OF THE YEAR”?  

Communication

- Does this nominee adhere to facts versus hearsay?
- Is the nominee an effective listener?
- Does the nominee deliver clear concise messages?
- Does the nominee demonstrate understanding and ask for clarification when necessary?

Dependable

- Does this nominee show up on time for work each day?
- When this nominee is sick or unable to work do they notify parties in a timely manner?
- Is the nominee credible and/or trustworthy?
- Is the nominee consistent?

Flexible

- Does the nominee approach work with the attitude that he/she will try his/her best in all given assignments?
- Is the nominee willing to take on new responsibilities?
- Does the nominee reschedule their tasks to meet other short notice requests?
- Does the nominee go the extra mile to help others accomplish tasks?

Positive Attitude

- Does the nominee manage to have a youthful and optimistic outlook on challenging situations?
- Is the nominee able to maintain daily routines even in the midst of setbacks?
- Do others enjoy working with the nominee?

Motivated/Initiative

- Does the nominee look around to see what needs to be done and do it, or does he/she wait for duties to be assigned?
- Does the nominee ask questions to try to learn more, or does he/she stick to what they already know and have been told?
- Is the nominee eager to work?
- Does the nominee try to learn new things/gain more knowledge about his/her job?
- Does the nominee work to the best of his/her ability?

Leadership

- Does this nominee embody the mission of your school?
- Does the parent/nominee communicate with staff and students on a regular basis?
- Does the parent/nominee inspire students and staff?
- Does the parent/nominee constantly strive to improve academic, behavior, and attendance outcomes?
- Does the parent/nominee collaborate on many instances and makes situations a win-win for everyone?
About You:

Name: ____________________________________________________________________________________

Title/Position: ______________________________________________________________________________

School/Organization: ________________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ____________________________________________________________________________

Telephone #: ____________________________________ Cell #: _____________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________________________________________________

About Your Nominee:

Name: ____________________________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ____________________________________________________________________________

Telephone #: ____________________________________ Cell #: _____________________________________

Email: ____________________________________________________________________________________

Abstract of nominee’s accomplishments

Please summarize the nominee’s accomplishments and your reason for nominating this individual.
(100 words or less)

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Supporting Documentation

[ ] Please submit a written biographical sketch and a 2x2 photograph (head shot) of the nominee.

By checking the above box and signing this nomination form, you are attesting to the accuracy to the best of
your knowledge.  Deadline for nominations is 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, 2020.

Signature: ___________________________________________________ Date: _______________________
Directions to the 2020 PLC Hotel Facility
DoubleTree by Hilton
3003 Corporate West Drive
Lisle, IL 60532
(630) 505-0900

From the East (Chicago)

Take Interstate 290 (Eisenhower Expressway) West to the Interstate 88 West exit (East/West Tollway/Aurora). Go approximately 13 miles to the Naperville Road exit. Turn right at stoplight onto Freedom Drive. Next light is Warrenville Road. Turn right. Stay right. Turn right at Corporate West Drive, and look for the hotel.

From Chicago O’Hare International Airport

Interstate 294 South (Tri-State Tollway) to Interstate 88 West (East/West Tollway/Aurora), and then take the Naperville Road exit. Turn right at stoplight onto Freedom Drive. Next light is Warrenville Road. Turn right. Stay right. Turn right at Corporate West Drive, and look for the hotel.

From Chicago Midway Airport

Take Cicero Avenue north to I-55 South to 355 North. Take 355 North to I-88 West. Exit Naperville Road. Turn right at stoplight onto Freedom Drive. Next light is Warrenville Road. Turn right. Stay right. Turn right at Corporate West Drive, and look for the hotel.