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The Foster & Kinship Care Education (FKCE) program provides quality education and support to caregivers in order to meet the educational, emotional, behavioral, and developmental needs of children and youth in out-of-home care.

**Foster & Kinship Care Education**

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(562) 860-2451 Ext. 2496

You can also visit us on the web:
www.cerritos.edu/fkce

**College Parking—Permits are required for campus parking**
Please contact the office to make arrangements for free on campus parking.

“*The more we know, the more they grow*”

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**Notes**

**TRAINING OFFERED**

- **D and F-Rate Pre-Service Training**
  16-hour Pre-Service Certification trainings (D-Rate children with emotional/behavioral difficulties and (F-Rate Medically Fragile Children).

- **The Whole Family Foster Home(WFFH), (SB500) Pre-Service Training**
  16-hour Pre-Service certification. A WFFH home provides foster care and support for a minor parent and his/her independent child.

- **B, D, F, W-Rate In-Service Renewal**
  English and Spanish classes/trainings for Foster and Kinship (relative) Caregivers are offered throughout the year. All classes are free and open to the public. How many in-service hours do I need to take yearly? Currently the yearly renewal hours for B-Rate and F-Rate are 12 hours. D-rate requires 18 hours yearly and WFFH requires 4 hours yearly.

- **(PS-MAPP) PS-Model Approach to Partnership in Parenting**
  PS-MAPP stands for “Permanence and Safety-Model Approach to Partnerships in Parenting.” The program consists of a 36 hour training series (workshops) for potential resource parents (foster/adoptive) to support the goal of safety and permanency for children in Los Angeles County.

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All Classes Are Free.
Registration Is Required
Call (562)860-2451 Ext. 2496
**Frequently Asked Questions**

**What is the difference between the Pre-Service and the (renewal) In-Service classes?**

Pre-Service training is for the first-time certification only and cannot be used for certification renewal purposes.

In-Service renewal hours must be completed yearly to keep your certification current and hours vary depending on rate.

**Do I have to pre-register in order to attend class?**

Yes, it is mandatory. There is no way for us to contact you regarding class changes or cancellations if you do not pre-register. Also, it allows us to know how many participants to accommodate for.

**How do I register for an FKCE classes/training?**

You may register by calling (562)860-2451 Ext: 2548 and leaving your name, address, phone number along with the date, location, and title of the class you would like to register. You may also email your registration at www.Cerritos.edu/FKCE under Contact Us. Staff will only return calls or emails if contact information, including telephone number, name, and reason for calling.

**Is there a fee for FKCE classes/training?**

There is no cost for training. All training sessions are FREE and are open to anyone in the community.

**I am not a foster parent, relative caregiver, and adoptive parents. Can I still attend classes?**

Yes. Although our target audience is mainly foster parents, relative caregivers and adoptive parents, our trainings are open to everyone in the community. We welcome social workers, group home staff, family members and friends.

**What if I can’t make it to a class after I have registered?**

No problem! Just call our office to cancel your seat in order to offer it to someone else who may be waiting for a space.

**Talleres Disponibles**

- **Tarifa D y F**
  16 horas de Pre- Servicio para Certificación:
  (D - Rate niños con dificultades emocionales / conductuales y
  (F - Rate niños médicamente frágiles).

- **Tarifa WFFH (SB-500)**
  16 horas de Pre-Servicio para certificación.
  Un hogar WFFH proporciona cuidado de crianza y apoyo durante
  padres menores de edad y su hijo /hija independiente.

- **B, D, F, W – Tarifas para Renovación**
  Clases y Cursos en Inglés y Español de capacitación para fomentar
  parentesco. Las clases se ofrecen durante todo el año. Todas las
  clases son gratis y abiertas al público. Cuantas horas de renovación
  necesito tomar anualmente? Actualmente las horas para renovación
  de la tarifa B y F son 12 horas. La tarifa D requiere 18 horas anuales
  y la tarifa WFFH requiere 4 horas anualmente.

- **(PS-MAPP) PS-Modelo Enfoque de Colaboración en la
  Paternidad**
  PS- MAPP es una clase de 36 horas para preparar a las personas
  y a las familias para que tomen una decisión informada acerca de
  lo que significa convertirse en una familia sustituta. La decisión se
  toma a través del condado de Los Ángeles y se basa en la capacidad
  y buena disposición de asumir el rol y desarrollar las habilidades
  necesarias para ser padres de crianza o para adoptar.

*Todas Las Clases Son Gratis Y Es Necesario Que Se Registre.
(562) 860-2451 Ext. 2496*
How will I know if a class gets cancelled or moved?
Our office will make every effort to contact you with any cancellations and/or changes. This is why it is important to pre-register and provide your contact information.

Location:
Classes are generally held at Cerritos College in the Community Education building, in room CE 3, unless otherwise noted, since we offer classes at various off-site locations. Please check for classroom location by calling (562) 860-2451 Ext: 2496.

Training Certificates:
Facilitators issue training certificates for each class, but the State of California no longer requires foster parents to show certificates to their social workers as proof of training hours completed. All class sign-in sheets and participant registration forms are entered into the state’s database after all trainings. If individuals would like to receive a copy of their transcripts, please contact the office: (562) 860-2451, Ext: 2496, and allow one week for processing.

**ATTENTION!!**
* Please arrive on-time to class. Participants arriving 15 minutes after the class has started will NOT receive credit. No exceptions!

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**Preguntas mas frecuentes**

**No soy un padre de crianza/adoptivo o pariente pero todavía me gustaría atender las clases ¿Es Posible?**
Sí. Aunque nuestro objetivo es principalmente padres de crianza y los cuidadores familiares, nuestros entrenamientos están abiertos a todos los miembros de la comunidad, incluyendo a los padres de familia, familiares, amigos, trabajadores sociales, personal de residencia y cualquier profesional que trabaja con niños.

**¿Tengo que pre-registrarse para poder asistir a clase?**
Sí, es obligatorio. No hay manera de que nos comuniquemos con usted con respecto a los cambios de clase o cancelaciones si no pre-registrarse.

**¿Cómo me registro para las clases / entrenamiento?**
Usted puede inscribirse llamando a la oficina al (562) 860-2451 Ext: 2548 y dejando su nombre, dirección, número de teléfono junto con la fecha, lugar y título de la clase que le gustaría asistir.

**¿Hay un costo para las clases / entrenamiento?**
No. Todas las clases/entrenamiento son GRATIS.

**¿Qué pasa si no puedo ir a una clase después de que me he registrado?**
No hay problema! Sólo tiene que llamar a nuestra oficina para cancelar su asiento con el fin de ofrecer a otra persona que pueda estar a la espera de un espacio.

**¿Qué pasa si una clase se cancela o se mueve? ¿Cómo voy a saberlo?**
Nuestra oficina hará todo lo posible para ponerse en contacto con usted con las cancelaciones o cambios. Esto es por qué es importante para pre-registrarse y proporcionar su información de contacto antes de hacerlo.
Steps to Become a Foster/Adoptive Parent

Step 1-Attend an Orientation
Department of Children and Family Services conducts orientation meetings for prospective foster and adoptive parents (resource parents). These meetings will acquaint the resource parents with our foster care and adoption process and help the families learn more about the children. Families adopting a relative or foster child in their care are not required to attend these meetings. To register for an orientation meeting, families should call (888) 811-1121. Please note that the attendance of an orientation is a requirement to start the application process.

Step 2-Obtain Foster Care License from the State
Potential foster and adoptive parents will need to obtain a foster care license to provide care for a child not related to them. Prospective caregivers must apply with the California Department of Social Services Community Care Licensing (CCL) Division. All foster homes are required to meet health and safety standards in order to become licensed. This includes an assessment of the caregiver’s suitability; criminal record and child abuse clearances; and a complete in-home inspection of the home’s safety. Information regarding the CCL licensing process will be provided in detail at the orientation meetings, as well as the application forms.

If you are a foster parent certified with an agency and are interested in becoming licensed by the State please be aware that you are required to attend the Permanency and Safety: Model Approach to Partnership in Parenting (PS-MAPP) classes. In addition the State will require you to decertify from your agency. If you have children in the home this could affect their placement. Please speak to the social worker co-leading the PS-MAPP class you attend about the specifics of your situation prior to decertifying from your agency.

Step 3-Attend PS-MAPP Training
Prospective foster and adoptive parents are required to attend 36 hours in six consecutive weeks of the PS-MAPP training to begin the family assessment (home study) process. The PS-MAPP is an interactive group process that helps prospective caregivers learn if foster care or adoption is the right choice for them. The PS-MAPP program requires a six-week commitment (twice weekly or one Saturday for six consecutive weeks). Each meeting is three hours in length and is co-lead by a DCFS social worker, a contracted trainer, and a foster or adoptive parent.
Step 4- Complete Family Assessment/Home Study
During the six-week PS-MAPP training, all of the necessary paperwork and documents must be submitted to the Department Children and Family Services, Social Worker by the prospective caregivers. The social worker will also meet separately in the family's home to have individual interviews and gather required information. The purpose of this assessment is to discuss the family's personal history, interests and lifestyles, childcare experiences, the types of children you feel would best fit in your home, and your strengths and skills in meeting the children's needs.

Step 5- Approval of Home for Placement
After the family assessment/home study is completed, the social worker will advise the prospective caregiver in writing that our agency believes that the family is able to meet the needs of the child and that the family has been approved as a resource parent.

Resource parents are foster parents and prospective adoptive parents at the same time. Resource (foster) parents provide love and ongoing care to children who are not able to live with their birth families. Children in this program are foster children at the time of placement. Resource parents will be asked to cooperate with the reunification plan that may include visits between the birth parents and the child. These visits may take place either in or out of the resource parent's home. If reunification with the birth family does not occur, there will be a recommended permanency plan in place at the discretion of DCFS.

Resource (adoptive) parents who are willing to accept the placement of a waiting child, who already has a plan for adoption, will be referred to the Placement Recruitment Unit to be matched with a child. As soon as the family has been identified to be able to meet a particular child's needs, a meeting is scheduled so that the family can learn more about the child. The family receives information about the child's medical status, birth history, previous/current placements, etc. from the child's social worker. If the family wants to pursue the adoption of the child, a date to meet the child is arranged. If after a number of visits the family and the child are comfortable with each other, the child may move into their home on a short term basis pending further assessment.

Steps to Become a Foster/Adoptive Parent
Pasos para ser Padre de Crianza

The following link has current information on the Resource Family Orientation schedule.

Link for Foster Care and Adoptions information
www.shareyourheartla.org

DCFS Resource Family
DCFS Resource Family Recruitment Section hosts monthly Resource (Foster & Adoptive) Parent Orientations.

Interested participants need to contact 888-811-1121 to register for the orientation.

Cada mes la sección de reclutamiento y recursos del DCFS ofrecen cursos de orientaciones para padres de crianza. Los participantes interesados necesitan contactar con 888-811-1121 para registrarse para la orientación.
January 2016 Classes

Friday, January 8
How to keep your child safe from predators/sexual exploitation
9am-12pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Nicole Washington

Saturday, January 9 & 16
F-Rate
Pre-Service Training #1
8:30am-4:30pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
DeAnna Quesada

Monday, January 11
Lo que todo padre debe saber sobre: las drogas y el alcoholismo
9am-12pm
at Olive Crest
Maria Alvidrez

Understanding our children
5:30-8:30pm
Paramount High school
Career Center
Daryabuth Martinez

Tuesday, January 12
El éxito escolar de nuestros hijos
5:30-8:30pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Daryabuth Martinez

Wednesday, January 13
AB-12: Independent living resources for foster youth
9am-12pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Elisia Jenkins

Friday, January 15
Early childhood education/development
9am-12pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Pam Rogers

Saturday, January 16
Adult/Child/Infant CPR & First Aid
Pre-Registrations Only
9am-1pm
Cerritos College
Room: TBD
John Pacheco

Tuesday, January 19
The warning sign of depression and suicidal thoughts
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Vicki Perez

Wednesday, January 20
Foster youth rights: what teens should know!
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Vicki Perez

Thursday, January 21
School success: parent involvement & teamwork
9am-12pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Pam Rogers

Friday, January 22
Foster parents support group formation
9am-12pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Nicole Washington

Saturday, January 23 & 30
Surviving trauma through the years #1 & #2
Cerritos College
8:30am-4:30pm
Room: CE-3
DeAnna Robertson

Monday, January 25
El dueño en las familias
9:30-12:30pm
Olive Crest
Maria Alvidrez

How to manage conflicts at home
5:30-8:30pm
Paramount High school
Career Center
Jeff Barrios

Tuesday, January 26
Domestic violence awareness & prevention
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Vicki Perez

Wednesday, January 27
LGBTQ: Understanding sexual orientation and gender identity
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Nicole Washington

Thursday, January 28
La explotación sexual en niños, niñas y jóvenes
9am-12pm
Olive Crest
DeAnna Robertson

Friday, January 29
CSEC: Awareness and identification
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
DeAnna Robertson

Saturday, February 2
Caring for a medically fragile children
9am-12pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Nicole Washington

Wednesday, February 3
Understanding ADHD symptoms and treatment
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Deborah Silveria

Thursday, February 4
How family violence affects children
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Vicki Perez

Friday, February 5
Fetal alcohol spectrum disorder
9am-12pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Nicole Washington

Monday, February 8
Como criar niños emocionalmente sanos: enriqueciendo la vida diaria
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Nicole Washington

Tuesday, February 9
Desarrollo del niño: fortaleciendo la vida diaria
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Nicole Washington

Wednesday, February 10
Abuso infantil y negligencia
9am-12pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Norma Ramirez

Thursday, February 11
Su hijo y la universidad (DELAC)
12820 Pioneer Blvd.
Norwalk, CA 90650
562-868-0431 X 2078
11am-2pm
Daryabuth Martinez

Tuesday, February 16
Understanding ADHD: symptoms and treatment
5:30-8:30pm
Paramount High school
Career Center
Norma Ramirez

Wednesday, February 17
Bipolar disorder in children and teens
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Deborah Silveria

Thursday, February 18
Angry, hostile, and defensive teens
9am-12pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Jamie Martell

Friday, February 19
Understanding learning disabilities
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Vicki Perez

Tuesday, February 23
Prevention of bullying en la escuela
9am-12pm
Furgeson Elementary
22215 Elaine Ave.
Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716
Daryabuth Martinez

Wednesday, February 24
Grief and loss multiple placements and multiple losses
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Vicki Perez

Thursday, February 25
Higher education within reach & financial aid workshop
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Vicki Perez

Friday, February 26
Suicide awareness & prevention
9am-12pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Nicole Washington

Monday, February 22
Los retos mas criticos en la adolescencia y como enfrentarlos
9:30-12:30pm
Olive Crest

February 2016 Classes

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6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Vicki Perez

Saturday, February 20 & 27
D-Rate Pre-Service Training #1 & #2
8:30am-4:30pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
DeAnna Quesada

Monday, February 22
Los retos mas criticos en la adolescencia y como enfrentarlos
9:30-12:30pm
Olive Crest

El cuidado del niño que ha sido abusado sexualmente
6:00-9:00pm
Olive Crest
Maria Alvidrez

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Furgeson Elementary
22215 Elaine Ave.
Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716
Daryabuth Martinez

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Grief and loss multiple placements and multiple losses
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Vicki Perez

Thursday, February 25
Higher education within reach & financial aid workshop
6-9pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Vicki Perez

Friday, February 26
Suicide awareness & prevention
9am-12pm
Cerritos College
Room: CE-3
Nicole Washington

Monday, February 29
All about prevention std’s & teen pregnancy
5:30-8:30pm
Paramount High school
Career Center
Dolores Barrios
March 2016 Classes

**Eat Right!**

**Wednesday, March 2**  
Good nutrition, good behavior!  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Vicki Perez

**Saturday, March 5 & 12**  
F-Rate Pre-Service Training #1 & #2  
8:30am-4:30pm  
Cerritos College  
Karen Nutt

**Tuesday, March 8**  
La violencia contra la mujer  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Daryabuth Martinez

**Wednesday, March 9**  
Helping children deal with loss when children grieve  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
DeAnna Quesada

**Thursday, March 10**  
Preparing youth to live on their own: resources  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
DeAnna Quesada

**Friday, March 11**  
Knowing who you are: the development of racial & ethnic identity  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Vicki Perez

**Monday, March 14**  
It's all about communication: effective conflict resolution  
5:30-8:30pm  
at Paramount High School Career Center  
Jeff Barrios

**Monday, March 21**  
La alimentacion hace la diferencia en el comportamiento de los ninos  
9:30-12:30pm  
Oliver Crest  
Maria Alvidrez

**Tuesday, March 22**  
Working with birth parents toward reunification  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Elisia Jenkins

**Wednesday, March 23**  
About attention deficit/ hyperactive disorder (ADHD)  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Karen Nutt

**Thursday, March 24**  
Violencia Intra-familiar  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Daryabuth Martinez

**Friday, March 25**  
CSEC: Awareness and identification  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
DeAnna Quesada

**Monday, March 28**  
Preparando a los Jóvenes para la vida independiente  
9:30-12:30pm  
Oliver Crest  
Maria Alvidrez

**Tuesday, March 29**  
Fetal alcohol syndrome spectrum disorder (FAS)  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Nicole Washington

**Wednesday, March 30**  
Overview on drug abuse and addiction  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
DeAnna Quesada

**Thursday, March 31**  
Resources on fun summer activities for the family  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Jeanie O'Neil

**Friday, April 1**  
Understanding autism  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Norma Ramirez

**Saturday, April 2**  
Adult/Child/Infant CPR & First Aid  
Pre-Registration Only  
9:00am-1:00pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
John Pacheco

**Monday, April 4**  
Preparing special education services and the IEP process  
5:30-8:30pm  
At Paramount High School Career Center  
Daryabuth Martinez

**Tuesday, April 5**  
Conocen los recursos para ninos con educacion especial  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Daryabuth Martinez

**Friday, April 8**  
Self-Esteem: a family affair  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
DeAnna Quesada

**Saturday, April 9 & 16**  
D-Rate Pre-Service Training #1 & #2  
8:30am-4:30pm  
Cerritos College  
Deena Robertson

**Monday, April 11**  
El acceso los servicios de la educacion  
9:30-12:30pm  
Oliver Crest  
Maria Alvidrez

**Wednesday, April 13**  
Caring for children who have experienced trauma  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Vicki Perez

**Thursday, April 14**  
Bullying awareness and prevention  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Norma Ramirez

**Friday, April 15**  
Understanding the most common mental health diagnosis in foster care  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Nicole Washington

**Monday, April 18**  
Empowering parents transforming teens  
5:30-8:30pm  
At Paramount High School Career Center  
Jeff Barrios

**Tuesday, April 19**  
Attachment issues in foster care  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Elisia Jenkins

**Wednesday, April 20**  
Enabling vs. empowering our children  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
DeAnna Quesada

April 2015 Classes

**Saturday, April 23 & 30**  
F-Rate pre-service training #1 & #2  
8:30am-4:30pm  
Cerritos College  
DeAnna Quesada

**Monday, April 25**  
Disciplina positiva, crianza positiva, actitud positiva  
9:30-12:30pm  
Oliver Crest  
Los niños con transtorno de oposicion desafiante (ODD)  
6:00-9:00pm  
Oliver Crest  
Maria Alvidrez

**Tuesday, April 26**  
Supporting youth in foster care in preventing teen pregnancy  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Nicole Washington

**Wednesday, April 27**  
Youth empowerment strategies for success  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Vicki Perez

**Friday, April 29**  
Safe baby sleep  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Elisia Jenkins
**May 2016 Classes**

**Monday, May 2**  
Understanding bullying: what every parent should know  
5:30-8:30pm  
At Paramount High School  
Career Center  
Dolores Barrios

**Wednesday, May 4**  
How family violence affects children  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
DeAnna Quesada

**Friday, May 6**  
Taking care of yourself as a foster parent  
9am-12pm  
Elisia Jenkins

**Saturday, May 7**  
Adult/Child/Infant CPR & First Aid  
Pre-Registration Only  
9:00am-1:00pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
John Pacheco

**Monday, May 9th**  
Por que roban y mienten los niños  
9am-12pm  
Olive Crest

**Tuesday, May 10**  
Prevention of the exploitation sexual en niños, niñas, y jóvenes  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Daryabuth Martinez

**Thursday, May 12**  
Self-Injurious behavior  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Nicole Washington

**Friday, May 13**  
Respecting our differences: diversity comes in all shapes and sizes  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Jeanie O’Neil

**Saturday, May 14 & 21**  
Whole Family Foster Home (WFFH SB500) Pre-Service training #1 & #2  
8:30am-4:30pm  
Cerritos College  
DeAnna Quesada

**Monday, May 16**  
The effects of abuse and separation: trauma informed parenting  
5:30-8:30pm  
Paramount High School  
Career Center  
Jeff Barrios

**Tuesday, May 17**  
Caring for young adults ab-12: opportunities for foster youth  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Karen Nutt

**Wednesday, May 18**  
Teaching your child about responsibilities  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Pam Rogers

**Thursday, May 19**  
CSEC: Awareness and identification  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Deena Robertson

**Monday, May 23**  
El cuidado del padre de crianza cansado emocionalmente  
9:30-12:30pm  
Olive Crest

**Tuesday, May 24**  
It’s not your fault sweetheart: caregivers will identify ways of helping children who are in foster care understand they have done nothing wrong!  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
DeAnna Quesada

**Wednesday, May 25**  
Anger management and conflict resolution  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Deena Quesada

**Thursday, May 26**  
Recursos academico para padres de crianza  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Daryabuth Martinez

**Wednesday, May 27**  
Teaching your child about responsibilities  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Pam Rogers

**Thursday, May 31**  
Grandparents as parents  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Daryabuth Martinez

**Wednesday, June 1**  
Prevention of harassment and bullying  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Vicky Perez

**Thursday, June 2**  
Helping children and teens build trust, friendships and connections  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
DeAnna Quesada

**Saturday, June 4**  
Adult/Child/Infant CPR & First Aid  
Pre-Registration Required  
9:00am-1:00PM  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
John Pacheco

**Monday, June 6**  
Juventud sexualmente activa/prevencion del embarazo  
9:30-12:30pm  
Olive Crest

**Wednesday, June 8**  
Navigating dcfs and community resources: things you need to know  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Nicole Washinton

**Tuesday, June 14**  
Working with birthparents: a difficult but unavoidable task  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Karen Nutt

**Wednesday, June 15**  
Prevention of teen pregnancy  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
DeAnna Quesada

**Thursday, June 16**  
Working with DCFS and the court system  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Vicki Perez

**Monday, June 20**  
Prevention of teen pregnancy  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3

**June 2016 Classes**

**Thursday, June 9**  
El exito academico de sus hijos  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Daryabuth Martinez

**Saturday, June 11 & 18**  
D-Rate Pre-Service Training #1 & #2  
8:30am-4:30pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Christina Auer

**Monday, June 13**  
La presion de los padres  
9:30-12:30pm  
Olive Crest

**Wednesday, June 29**  
Substance abuse & teens  
6-9pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Nicole Washington

**Wednesday, June 30**  
Parenting with love and logic  
9am-12pm  
Cerritos College  
Room: CE-3  
Elisia Jenkins
Foster Youth Services

Leaders Involved in Creating Change (LINC) is a support program designed to help link foster youth with support services on and off campus to ensure a successful transition from foster care to independent living.

Program Goals:
The goals of the program are to improve college access for current and former foster youth, increase retention and graduation rates and promote student learning and development.

Program Eligibility:
To be eligible for the program students must be former foster youth enrolled at Cerritos College.

Leaders Involved in Creating Change (LINC) Services

- Academic Counseling
- Financial Aid Services
- Career Services
- College Materials
- Emergency Bus Tokens
- Events
- Field Trips
- Food Pantry
- ILP Coordinator Visits
- John Burton Scholarships
- On/off Campus Resources
- Peer to Peer Support Group
- Priority Registration (if eligible)
- Networking opportunities
- Special Events
- Workshops

For more information contact visit or contact the LINC office:
(562) 860-2451 EXT. 2371
bpulido@cerritos.edu
Monday – Thursday 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. -12 p.m.
Resources

California Ombudsman For Foster Care ........................................ www.fosteryouthhelp.ca.gov
Help Line 1-877-846-1602
The office of the Foster Care Ombudsman ensures that the voice of foster children and youth is heard and act on their behalf.

The Alliance for Children's Rights ........................................ www.kids-alliance.org
3333 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 550
Los Angeles, CA 90010
(231) 368-6010
A law firm providing advocacy and representation for children and youth.

Children's Law Center of Los Angeles .................................... www.clcla.org
201 Centre Plaza Drive, Suite 7
Monterey Park, CA 91754-2175
Tel: (323) 980-7700

Public Counsel ................................................................. www.publiccounsel.org
601 S. Ardmore Ave.
Los Angeles, CA 90005
Tel: (213) 385-2977
Tel: (800) 870-8090

California Youth Crisis Center .............................................. 1-800-843-5200
A project of the California Child, Youth and Family Coalition.
Crisis counseling is available 24 hours with information and referrals for youth and families.

Team of Advocates for Special Kids (TASK) ....................... www.taskca.org
TASK serves families of children aged birth to 22 years of age under IDEA and other systems mandated to provide services to individuals with disabilities. TASK provides advocacy information, workshops and information in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.
(714) 533-8275

G.A.P.
“Grandparents as Parents” ............... www.granparentsasparents.org
Support Group and Resources for Relative Caregivers.

The Transitional Resource Center (TRC) .............................................
The Community Resource Center
10750 S. Laurel Ave.
Whittier, CA 90605
(562) 944-2785
The TRC offers: Independent living resources information and referral, Employment Resources, Transportation funds, Educational Assistance, Emergency, transitional and permanent housing referrals, and much more.

Southeast Area Social Services Funding Authority—SASSFA..............
Santa Fe Springs Main Office
10400 Pioneer Blvd. Suite 9
Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670
(562) 946-2237 x254 or x231
Through the Youth Program SASSFA provides free use of computers, copies, and fax. Workshops on resume writing, interviewing skills, job search, job placement, for youth ages 17-21.

Independent Living Program ................................................. www.ilponline.org
This site is for current or former foster youth/probation youth which provides important information and resources regarding ILP/Transitional Coordinators, housing, education, living skills, employment, legal assistance and much more.

California College Pathways .................................... www.cacollegepathways.org
Helping California’s foster youth access higher education and reach their educational goals.

Financial Aid (FAFSA)
Free money, federal student aid for college ...................... www.fafsa.ed.gov
**California Chafee Grant Program** ........................................... [www.csac.ca.gov](http://www.csac.ca.gov)
Additional FREE money for college available to current or former foster youth.

**VMentor** ................................................................................ [www.vmentor.com](http://www.vmentor.com)
Online mentors for LA County youth in foster care.

**The California Department of Social Services** .......................... [www.cdss.ca.gov](http://www.cdss.ca.gov)
For CA state updates and laws pertaining to Foster Care.

**Los Angeles County Department of** .................................... [www.dcfs.co.la.ca.us](http://www.dcfs.co.la.ca.us)
Child & Family Services (DCFS)

**Foster Care Hotline & Adoptions Assistance Hotline** ....................
(800) 697-4444

**Foster Care Recruitment Hotline/Adoptions** ..............................
(888) 811-1121

**Foster Care Support Services** .................................................
(213) 639-4035

**Child Protection Hotline** ....................................................
24 hours a day, 7 days a week
(800) 540-4000

**Santa Fe Springs DCFS Office** .............................................
10355 Slusher Dr.
Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670
(562) 903-5000

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**Site Maps**

**FEDDE Community Resource Center**
21409 Elaine Ave.
Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716

**Migrant Program Hawaiian Gardens**
Furgeson Elementary (MESP) 22215 Elaine Ave.
Hawaiian Gardens, CA 90716
(562)421-8285

**Olive Crest**
17800 Woodruff Ave.
Bellflower, CA 90706
(562)866-8956 Ext. 1632
The Classroom is located in the Community Education room: CE-3
The most Convenient parking is Lot C-11