

The Maryland State Parental Information and Resource Center (MD PIRC) Presents

In Partnership with the Maryland State Department of Education,
the University of Maryland, Baltimore County, and other school districts and community organizations

PARENTING MATTERS:

Connecting Crayons, Computers, College and Careers

Join us and learn how to be your child's best teacher and guide for a lifetime!

Saturday

November 7, 2009

8:15 AM – 3:30 PM

University of
Maryland Baltimore
County (UMBC)



1000 Hilltop Circle,
Baltimore, MD 21250
University Center
Building

Featured Speaker:

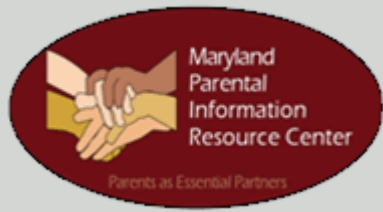
LaMont Toliver, Director of the Meyerhoff Scholarship Program at UMBC will kick off the event with opening remarks.

The Maryland State Parental Information and Resource Center (MD PIRC) is designed to assist Maryland parents and educators to address issues related to family involvement and closing the achievement gap.

The goals of the PIRC include:

- creating school, community and parent partnerships
- providing parents with strategies to support children's learning and
- offering parents useful resources.

Visit the MD State PIRC online at www.mdpirc.org.



Conference Schedule

8:15 - 9:30 Light Breakfast and Registration
9:30 Sharp Conference Opening

10:45 - 12:15 SESSION I

A: What to do When Your Child Gets Sick (English and Spanish) - How can you determine if your child's illness is serious? Join us and learn what every parent needs to know so that your children can have a healthy day.

B: Early Literacy Resources at the Public Library - From books to early literacy story times to specialized children's environments, today's public libraries are committed to creating young readers. Find out how the library can support your child's early learning and literacy skills.

C: Gang Awareness - Join an interactive discussion about gang awareness and how to identify: signs, symbols, non-verbal communications, and prevention.

D: School Readiness - Parents will receive necessary information to help their children enter kindergarten ready to learn.

E: Money Talk: Financing for College - Learn information on ways to save for your child's college education, and great ways to explain money concepts to your child.

F: Encouraging Your Kids to Eat Healthy - Participants will learn the importance of eating healthy snacks and will make and sample several kid-friendly recipes.

G: NNPS: Keys to Successful Family and Community Involvement - Learn strategies for strengthening school, family and community involvement in your child's school.

12:20 - 1:45 Lunch and Parent Mobile

2:00 - 3:30 SESSION II

AA: Beginning the College Countdown - College Planning for high school students and their parents.

BB: Mean Girls and Queen Bees - Learn ways to help your middle school daughter cope with social pressures both in school and after school.

CC: No Child Left Behind: What Does it Mean for Parents? (English and Spanish) Learn more about how parents have a voice in the legislation.

DD: Gang Awareness (Spanish) - Learn strategies for fostering toleration, emphasizing resilience and building relationships and community.

EE: The Road to Greatness Begins at Home - Participants will learn five things they can do with their children to help them become efficient thinkers and successful learners.

FF: How well do you Know your Child? - Learn about and experience research-based best practices for rearing and educating children through the application of the six developmental pathways promoted as a component of effective implementation of the Comer School Development Program.

GG: 7 Keys to College Readiness - Learn what you can be doing now to provide your children with the skills for getting in to college in the future.

3:30 Conference Ends

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Registration Form

PARENTING MATTERS: CONNECTING CRAYONS, COMPUTERS, COLLEGE, AND CAREERS is FREE. Light breakfast, lunch, plenty of free parking, and child care services will all be available. Children (ages 2-5) **MUST** be registered in advance to attend the childcare center. Please call Megan Guidrey at 301-657-7742 ext. 111 to obtain the information needed for your child to attend. **Children will NOT be accepted if the required information is not on file by October 30, 2009.**

Register **now** at: www.mdpirc.org. You may also fax your registration form to Megan Guidrey at: **301-657-8782**; or call Megan toll-free at: **1-877-637-2736**. All sessions are first come, first served. **Please register no later than October 30, 2009.** All registrations will be confirmed by **phone** or **email**.

** Workshops are subject to change. Please visit the website for the most up to date information.**

Please note: We are asking you to rank your top two choices per session below as workshops are first come, first served and may fill up.

Session I Choice
10:45 - 12:15 PM

Session II Choice
2:00 - 3:30 PM

1st Workshop Letter _____

1st Workshop Letters _____

2nd Workshop Letter _____

2nd Workshop Letters _____

Full Name: _____

Second Adult's Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Child Care: Ages 2-5

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Age: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Age: _____

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Age: _____

Youth Track: Ages 6 - 14

10:30 - 12:15 The Engaged University and Celebree Learning Centers

12:20 - 1:45 Lunch

2:00 - 3:30 The Engaged University and Celebree Learning Centers

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Age: _____

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