



Parent University

March Workshops

The Racine Unified School District Office of Family & Community Engagement (FACE) is excited to launch a new initiative, Parent University. A community collaborative led by Racine Schools to help parents become full partners in their children's education. The FACE Department is partnering with community agencies and organizations to offer free monthly workshops, information sessions, activities and events that will equip families with new or additional skills, knowledge, resources, and confidence. These workshops are open to the entire community!

Speech and Language Development and Strategies to Enhance Communication Skills

Presenter: Ann Barry, Special Education, RUSD

March 5 • 10-11:30 am. • Julian Thomas School • 930 Martin Luther King Dr.

This session will provide an overview of the development of speech and language skills and strategies to enhance your child's communication skills at home and in the community.

Assessments & Data: the Big Questions Answered for Parents of Students taking the Wisconsin Forward Exam in Grades 3-8 (am/pm sessions)

Presenter: Jacquelyn Moga, Executive Director of Assessment & Accountability, RUSD

March 12 • 9-10:30 a.m. & 5-6:30 p.m. • Julian Thomas School • 930 Martin Luther King Dr.

Student information is key to classroom decision making. It is important for our parents to have an understanding of how various data are used to drive instructional decisions to meet the needs of students for future success. This session will help you understand your student's results from the Forward assessments and how to use these data to support learning outcomes.

Design, Build, and Test (For Parents & Middle School Students)

Presenter: Terri Tessman, Ask, Make, Innovate LLC Consultant

March 12 • 5-6:30 p.m. • Walden III High School • 2340 Mohr St.

Parents come to support your students as they design, build and test something that moves, possibly a car of their dreams, something that flies, or a toy that is interactive. Students will leave with their drawn design and a prototype of their "invention."

Transitioning to the Adult World and Social Security for Individuals with Disabilities

Presenter: Justine Bieganski & Ann Widmar, Community Partners

March 14 • 5-6:30 p.m. • Julian Thomas School • 930 Martin Luther King Dr.

This session will provide information on applying for adult services for employment and long-term care, obtaining guardianship and navigating Social Security.

Dual Language 4-K and Summer School (am/pm sessions)

Presenter: Robin Rivas, Executive Director of Bilingual & ELL

March 19 • 9-10:30 a.m. & 5-6:30 p.m. • Janes School • 1425 N. Wisconsin St.

This session will focus on 4-K Dual Language and Summer School registration. This is a perfect opportunity to obtain more information regarding the Dual Language program at the 4-year-old Kindergarten level and summer school. Assistance in English and Spanish will be available.

To register for classes, visit rebrand.ly/ParentMarch