

FATHERS IN ACTION AND ADVOCACY WEEK

APRIL 15-19, 2024

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

FUTURE DADS PROGRAM

APRIL 15, 17 & 18

TERRY PARKER, PROGRAM CONSULTANT

OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY

THE WORKSHOP PROVIDES POSITIVE LEADERSHIP AND GUIDING POINTS ON HELPING YOUNG MEN REALIZE WHAT IT TAKES TO BE AN ENGAGED FATHER.

FATHER ENGAGEMENT IN EARLY CHILDHOOD

APRIL 15

OMAR CAMPUZANO, FAMILY ENGAGEMENT COORDINATOR

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION AND HUMAN SERVICES

FATHERS WILL LEARN THE IMPORTANCE OF FATHER ENGAGEMENT IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND HOW THEIR EXPERIENCE POSITIVELY IMPACTS THEIR CHILD'S ACADEMIC, EMOTIONAL, AND SOCIAL WELL-BEING.

DADDY AND ME COOKING NIGHT

FAMILY BONDING EXPERIENCE INVOLVING NEIGHBORHOOD M-DCPS SCHOOLS

APRIL 16

BRITTANY LAMBERT-BROWN, CHIEF PROGRAMS OFFICER

OVERTOWN YOUTH CENTER

FATHERS WILL ENGAGE WITH THEIR CHILDREN IN A COOKING ACTIVITY AND WILL LEAVE WITH IDEAS ON HOW TO PREPARE HEALTHY MEALS TOGETHER, ENHANCE VOCABULARY ON HEALTHY FOOD OPTIONS, AND A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE MAJOR FOOD GROUPS.

FATHERHOOD IN AMERICA

APRIL 16

NADEIGE THERESIAS-JOISIL, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM DIRECTOR

SANT LA, HAITIAN NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

FATHERS AND FAMILIES OFTEN FACE CHALLENGES IN ADJUSTING TO DIFFERENT CULTURES, ENVIRONMENT, AND SYSTEMS. THIS WORKSHOP WILL HELP EASE SOME OF THE CONCERNS THAT FATHERS MAY HAVE.

FATHERS ROLE IN SHARED PARENTING

APRIL 17

**JONATHAN EASTMAN, MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPIST
BRAINHEART GUIDANCE**

THIS WORKSHOP WILL FOCUS ON HOW MEN HANDLE PITFALLS AND DRAMAS WITH PARTNERS AND HOW THEY CAN ACCESS WISDOM AND HEALTHY COMMUNICATION TIPS TO BE POSITIVE RESOURCE TO CHILDREN.

COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES FOR FATHERS AND KIDS

APRIL 17, 18 & 19

**OSMANI GONZALEZ, PTA MALE ENGAGEMENT CHAIR
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COUNCIL PTA/PTSA**

THE WORKSHOP WILL COVER COMMUNICATION TOOLS THAT OPEN UP DISCUSSION AND STRENGTHEN RELATIONSHIPS, INCLUDING LEARNING TO LISTEN, JOINING KIDS IN ACTIVITIES THEY LIKE, AND SUPPORTING THEIR SCHOOL.

DRUG AND ALCOHOL PREVENTION: SAFE HOME, SMART PARTIES

APRIL 17

**JOEL MESA, PREVENTION SPECIALIST
MERY DOMINQUEZ, TRAINER
INFORMED FAMILIES**

FATHERS WILL LEARN HOW TO IMPLEMENT THIS STATE-WIDE INITIATIVE TO ENSURE THAT DRUGS, ALCOHOL, AND ALL FORMS OF CIGARETTES WILL NOT BE PERMITTED AT PARTIES HELD IN THEIR HOMES AND DISCOURAGED AT PARTIES IN THE COMMUNITY. FATHERS WILL ALSO LEARN WAYS TO COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR TEENS ON DIFFICULT TOPICS.

MENUP: NURTURING OURSELVES NURTURING OUR CHILDREN

APRIL 17

**J. MARTINEZ, CEO
HOPE FOR. MIAMI**

MR J. WILL IDENTIFY FATHERS' UNIQUE CONTRIBUTIONS AND DISCUSS THE ROOTS OF FATHERING AND NURTURING OURSELVES/OUR CHILDREN.

YOUR RIGHTS AS A FATHER STARTS WITH KNOWING

APRIL 18

**GREG HILL JR, PRESIDENT AND CEO
OUR CHILDREN HAVE RIGHTS**

LEARN WHAT INFORMATION LEADS TO LEADERSHIP AND CONFIDENCE AS A FATHER IN THE LIFE OF CHILDREN: PATERNITY ISSUES, CHILD'S EDUCATOR AND ADVOCATE, SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT, COURTROOM MASTERY, STRONG AND ENGAGED FATHERING. RESOURCES WILL BE SHARED.

CANCERS AFFECTING FATHERS: PREVENTION HEALTH FOCUS AND SCREENING
APRIL 18

CHRISTOPHER SANCHEZ, RACHAEL RODRIGUEZ, CASSANDRA TOCCARA-WHITE
OUTREACH SPECIALISTS
SYLVESTER COMPREHENSIVE CANCER CENTER

THE TEAM WILL PRESENT INFORMATION ABOUT CANCERS AFFECTING THE MALE POPULATION, LIKE
PROSTATE CANCER, AND PROVIDE CANCER SCREENINGS.

FATHERS, KIDS AND FILM
APRIL 18

OSCAR ROSENBERG, FLIM ENTERTAINMENT BLOGGER ADMINISTRATOR
MIAMIDADS GROUP

WATCHING, REVIEWING, AND EXPERIENCING MOVIES WITH KIDS CREATES A STRONG FAMILY
CONNECTION. SHARE INSIGHT ON HOW TO ANALYZE FILMS WITH KIDS TO CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR
LEARNING EXPERIENCE. LEARN ABOUT MIAMIDADS GROUP.

POSITIVE PARENTING FOR FATHERS
APRIL 18

JOHNATHAN ARACENA, LEAD FACILITATOR
BE STRONG INTERNATIONAL

FATHERS ARE INTRODUCED TO FIVE KEY PRINCIPLES OF POSITIVE PARENTING, INCLUDING ENSURING A
SAFE, ENGAGING ENVIRONMENT AND HAVING REASONABLE EXPECTATIONS TO LOOK AFTER
THEMSELVES AS FATHERS.

ENGAGING FATHERS IN PREGNANCY, CHILDBIRTH AND BEYOND
APRIL 18

ANGEL EVANS, FATHERHOOD ENGAGEMENT SUPERVISOR
JEAN SENATUS, FATHERHOOD COACH
HEALTHY START COALITION OF MIAMI-DADE

THE WORKSHOP WILL COVER THE IMPORTANCE OF FATHER SUPPORT AND SELF-CARE BEGINNING
BEFORE BIRTH AND WAYS FATHERS CAN BE INVOLVED IN A BABY'S PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH &
DEVELOPMENT.

FATHERS AND THE BUILDING BLOCKS OF POSITIVE PARENTING
APRIL 18

CAMILLE PEREZ, SR. PROGRAMS MANAGER
PARENT CLUB IN PARTNERSHIP WITH UM
THE CHILDREN'S TRUST

PARENTS ARE INTRODUCED TO THE FIVE KEY PRINCIPLES OF POSITIVE PARENTING AND LEARN TO HAVE
REASONABLE EXPECTATIONS DEPENDING ON THE CHILD'S AGE.

DADS NAVIGATING COLLEGE ENROLLMENT AND ACCESSING SUPPORT SERVICES

APRIL 18

STEPHANIE SILVA, PROGRAM MANAGER

VIVIANNE RODRIGUEZ, PRE-COLLEGE ADVISOR

SEBASTIAN ALVAREZ, STUDENT FATHER

MIAMI DADE COLLEGE STUDENT PARENTS' PROGRAM

MIAMI DADE COLLEGE WILL COVER VARIOUS ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO STUDENT PARENTS AS WELL AS SUPPORT FOR FATHERS ON CAMPUS.

ENGAGING FATHERS IN ELEVATING CHILDREN'S LITERACY

APRIL 18

JORDAN BARR, CURRICULUM SPECIALIST

THE LUCY PROJECT

THE WORKSHOP WILL FOCUS ON EARLY EXPOSURE TO LITERACY AND HOW TO IMPLEMENT EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES AT HOME THAT CAN BENEFIT YOUNG LEARNERS. YOU WILL LEARN THE KEY COMPONENTS OF EFFECTIVE LITERACY PROGRAMS COUPLED WITH HELPFUL ACTIVITIES.

FATHERHOOD IS ESSENTIAL TO JUSTICE

APRIL 18

PHILLIP TAVERNIER, WELLNESS ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR

CIRCLE OF BROTHERHOOD

"FATHERHOOD" AND "JUSTICE" ARE PROFOUNDLY INTERTWINED AND CONNECTED. BOTH PLAY AN ESSENTIAL ROLE IN SHAPING THE FABRIC OF SOCIETY. FATHERHOOD IS FUNDAMENTAL TO LIFE, LIBERTY, AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS. HEAR AND LEARN HOW AND WHY FATHERHOOD IS THE CORNERSTONE OF INDIVIDUAL, SOCIAL, AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE.

FATHERS READY, SET, GO MIAMI STORYTELLING

APRIL 18

ENRIQUE CORDERO, YOUTH SERVICES SPECIALIST

MIAMI DADE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM

THE CHILDREN'S MOVEMENT

LEARN HOW TO ENGAGE IN SHARED READING EXPERIENCES WITH YOUR CHILDREN AND SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LITERACY DEVELOPMENT



MEN DON'T CRY: UNPACKING GENDER STEREOTYPES FOR STUDENT WELLNESS AND SUCCESS

APRIL 19

**JOSEPH ZOLOB CZUK, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
NIKOLAS MONTOLIO, YOUTH EMPOWERMENT COORDINATOR
JOSE ANTONIO MARTINEZ, MEMBER
YES INSTITUTE**

THE DISCUSSION WILL FOCUS ON WHY MALES ARE MORE PRONE TO LEARNING CHALLENGES AND SOCIALLY DANGEROUS SITUATIONS CONCERNING MASCULINITY, GENDER, AND MENTAL HEALTH. STEPS TOWARDS PREVENTION COVERED.

FATHERS IN ADVOCACY

APRIL 16, 17 & 18

**M-DCPS PARENT ACADEMY FACILITATOR
M-DCPS PARENT ACADEMY
VIRTUAL WEBINAR**

THE WORKSHOP WILL COVER THE VARIOUS WAYS FATHERS CAN ADVOCATE FOR THEIR CHILDREN'S WELL-BEING.



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