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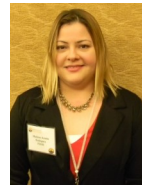
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The second meeting of the Florida Migrant Parent Advisory Council (FMPAC) for the 2018-2019 school year took place at the Rosen Centre Hotel in Orlando, Florida on February 1 & 2, 2019. Laura Beltran welcomed members and called the meeting to order; fifteen members attended. The agenda and minutes from the November meeting were approved.

Presentation/Workshops

Florida Department of Education Update (FDOE)

Marlene Acosta Rodriguez
MEP State Evaluator



Ms. Acosta Rodriguez gave members an update on summer program evaluations that are being conducted to determine program effectiveness and use the results to prepare for 2019 Summer Program. FDOE will start desktop and onsite monitoring process with some districts.

Computer Training: Accessing Educational Websites (school portals)

Isaac Altamirano
Technical Assistant

Mr. Altamirano gave members a training on how to access their school's parent portals. He went over the main functions of the parent portal.

Family Network on Disabilities

Amarilis Vega de Jesus
Hispanic Outreach Coordinator



Ms. Vega de Jesus, gave members a training on “Your guide to an IEP that works.” She explained that Individuals with Disabilities (IDEA) is a law that ensures services for children with disabilities nationwide.

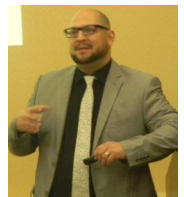
Pre-K Preparation: Where do we begin?

Dr. Maria Pouncey
FMPAC Coordinator

Dr. Pouncey gave a workshop on how building a large vocabulary will give your child a strong foundation for reading. By introducing new words and playing fun word games, you are setting the stage for reading success.

Middle School Math

John E. Padilla
Staffin/ CCT



Mr. Padilla gave members a presentation on what to expect for students in or going to middle school. He explained that when students enter middle school they will be able to choose from various levels of math depending on their FSA score.

Reading for Success

Dr. Maria Pouncey
FMPAC Coordinator



Dr. Pouncey gave a workshop on ways parents can boost their child's literacy skills. When children become good readers, they are building the foundation for becoming better learners. Reading is important in or outside of school.



Florida Migrant Parent Advisory Council (FMPAC)

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Jennipher Nieves



Message from the FMPAC President:

Hello FMPAC Members,

Thank you to all parents and district representatives who joined us for our meeting in February. I was pleased to see new faces in our second meeting. Welcome to our new members Maria Valdez from Manatee County, Angela Che from Suwannee County, Maria Hernandez-Rojas from DeSoto County and Veronica Rodriguez from Orange County. Once again thanks to our hardworking FMPAC team for the wonderful and exceptional presenters. I feel empowered as a parent and a leader to take what we learn here at the state level back to our counties and families in our communities. I feel as parents we never stop learning. Power is in collaboration so lets pay it forward and share. Safe travels and I look forward to seeing everyone in April. God bless.

Thank you,
Laura Beltran
President



Build your child's vocabulary

Introduce new words

- Use new words
- Listen to music
- Pick higher-level books
- Play pretend



Play word games

- Try “20 questions” or “I Spy”
- Take turns giving each other a word
- Act out opposites

Make a word wall

1. Ask your child to choose 5 words from a favorite book or story
2. Write one word on each card
3. Have your child pick one activity each day to do with words

Build a love of reading

Read in unusual places

- Outside
- Under a tent
- In the car
- Sitting on a blanket

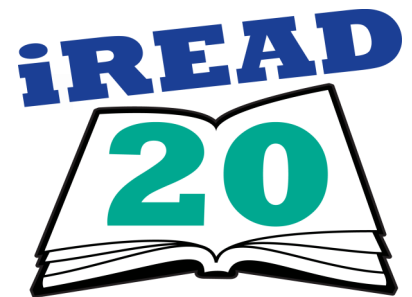


Start with “pretend” reading

- Get books with simple pictures
- Reread familiar books often
- Pause while reading
- Stop before you say a word or phrase
- Omit more words and phrases until your child is telling the story.
- Ask your child to “read” the story to you.

Bring books to life

- Change the name
- Play dress-up
- Give a story a new ending
- Create a new tale



Take a look inside a book for at least 20 minutes a day.



Participant Survey Results

Trainings/Workshops:	
FDOE Update	Strongly agree = 14 Agree = 1
Computer Training: Accessing Educational Websites	Strongly agree = 14 Agree = 1
Family Network on Disabilities	Strongly agree = 15 Agree = 0
Pre-K Preparation: Where do we begin?	Strongly agree = 15 Agree = 0
Middle School Math	Strongly agree = 13 Agree = 1
Reading for Success	Strongly agree = 14 Agree = 1
Accommodations:	
Hotel (your room) was comfortable.	Strongly agree = 15 Agree = 0
The food was of good taste.	Strongly agree = 15 Agree = 1
The hotel staff was kind.	Strongly agree = 14 Disagree = 1
PAEC staff was helpful during the conference preparations.	Strongly agree = 15 Agree = 1
The meeting room was comfortable (it was not too cold or too hot).	Strongly agree = 13 Agree = 1 Neutral = 1 Disagree = 1
The material used was easy to understand	Strongly agree = 15 Neutral = 1
Meeting times, location, and childcare:	
Weekend meetings.	Strongly agree = 15 Neutral = 1
Childcare available.	Strongly agree = 13 Neutral = 2
Central area in Orlando.	Strongly agree = 14 Agree = 1 Neutral = 1
Central area for all members.	Strongly agree = 14 Neutral = 2

References

FDOE, Parenting Counts, FND, Reading for Success

Visit the FMPAC website myfmpac.org/español for more information in Spanish.

