

# Workshops for Families Created by Families



Parent  
University

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*At TPS, we recognize parents/caregivers as being their child's first teacher. We also value the strengths and skills our parents/caregivers have to offer our students. As a result, it is our goal to create positive partnerships where parents/caregivers are included as decision makers, supporters, and active members of the learning community.*

**District Mission:** Toledo Public Schools' mission is to produce competitive college and career ready graduates through a rigorous curriculum across all grade levels by implementing Ohio's New Learning Standards with fidelity.

**District Vision:** Toledo Public Schools strives to be an 'A-rated' school district whose graduates are college and career ready.

**Registration Details:** To register for any of the following workshops, please contact Alina Rodriguez at [arodrigu2@tps.org](mailto:arodrigu2@tps.org) or 419-671-0413.

**\*Children's educational programming and light refreshments will be served at each workshop.\***

**Workshop Topics:**

**Promoting Well Being: Health & Wellness**

**Leadership & Advocacy**

**Supporting Student Success**

**Navigating the School System**

**Personal Growth & Development**



## Fall 2019

## August

**Parent University Open House:** Parent University is a program within Toledo Public Schools that is meant to be for parents and caregivers created by parents and caregivers. Come explore upcoming workshops, become a part of the advisory board, and learn what Parent University has to offer you.

**Presenter:** Alina Rodriguez, TPS Family Engagement & Community Outreach Coordinator

**Location:** Heatherdowns Library (3265 Glanzman Rd., Toledo, OH 43614)

**Date:** 8/29/19

**Time:** 4:00-6:00 pm

# September

**Volunteer Workshop:** What does it mean to be a volunteer for TPS? This workshop covers basic information regarding the steps it takes to become a volunteer in a TPS school, includes facts about background checks, and examines ways to become more involved whether it be at home or school.

**Presenter:** Gayle Lake, Community Liaison, Director of Programs and Enrichment Activities

**Location:** Sanger Library (3030 Central Ave., Toledo, OH 43606)

**Date:** 9/5/19

**Time:** 6:00-7:00 pm

**Help, My Child is on an IEP!** In this workshop, participants will discover what it means for a child to be on an IEP, explore student and parent/caregiver rights, and learn to be an advocate.

**Presenter:** Beth Barrow, Executive Director of Student Services

**Location:** Birmingham Library (203 Paine Ave., Toledo, OH 43605)

**Date:** 9/10/19

**Time:** 5:30-8:30 pm

**Simple Steps to Creating Young Readers:** In this workshop, participants will learn what is expected of students in terms of academic achievement, explore various tips and tricks that can be used to help students learn to read and write, and explore resources that will aid in the process.

**Presenter:** Brooke Cox, Children's Librarian

**Location:** Kent Branch Library (3101 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo, OH 43610)

**Date:** 9/19/19

**Time:** 6:00-8:00 pm

**Empower Youth Program:** This powerful special event is for families and their students ages 8-18. Come learn to fail forward, develop a positive self image, develop personal character, and stand up and stop bullying.

**Presenter:** Patty Cavins, Higher Ground Advantage

**Location:** Waite High School (301 Morrison Dr., Toledo, OH 43605)

**Date:** 9/26/19

**Time:** 6:30-8:30 pm

# October

**Empower Youth Program:** This uplifting special event is for families and their students ages 8-18. Come learn to fail forward, develop a positive self-image, develop personal character, and stand up and stop bullying.

**Presenter:** Patty Cavins, Higher Ground Advantage

**Location:** Bowsher High School (222 McTigue Dr., Toledo, OH 43615)

**Date:** 10/3/19

**Time:** 6:30-8:30 pm

**Financial Aid, FASFA Completion Workshop:** In this workshop, parents/caregivers will explore options for funding their students' futures. Parents, caregivers and students will learn about the financial aid process and get hands on assistance with filling out their FASFA on site.

**Location:** Birmingham Branch Library (203 Paine Ave, Toledo, OH 43605)

**Presenter:** Emily Garcia, Senior Coordinator of Outreach & Training, Bowling Green State University

**Date:** 10/8/19

**Time:** 6:30-8:00 pm

## **Second Option:**

**Location:** Sanger Branch Library (3030 Central Ave, Toledo, OH 43606)

**Date:** 10/15/19

**Time:** 6:30-8:00

**A Clear Path to Graduation: Everything You Need to Know About High School:** In this workshop, participants will learn the various pathways to graduation, explore ways to guide students to the finish line, and obtain the various resources that exist within TPS high schools.

**Presenter:** Jennifer Lawless, Senior Director of College and Career Readiness Toledo Public Schools

**Location:** Start High School (2010 Tremainsville Rd., Toledo, OH 43613)

**Date:** 10/14/19; **Time:** 6:30-8:00 pm

# November

**Demystify Testing: Ohio State Tests ( OSTs):** In this workshop participants will learn test prep skills, what to expect on the test, and much more.

**Location:** Scott High School (2400 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo, OH 43620)

**Presenter:** Dr. Su Breymaier, Senior Director of Testing

**Date:** 11/7/19

**Time:** 6:30-8:00 pm

**Good Grief of Northwest Ohio Grieving Series 1:** This workshop will explore the developmental stages of grief. Learn how different age groups typically understand the reality and permanence of death.

**Presenter:** Staff Member, Good Grief of Northwest Ohio

**Location:** TPS Board of Education, Thurgood Marshall Auditorium (1609 Summit St., Toledo, OH 43604)

**Date:** 11/13/19

**Time:** 6:00-7:00 pm

**Did you know...Lutheran Social Services:** Come explore what Lutheran Social Services has to offer you, including free services open to all, regardless of income.

**Presenter:** Maryanne Diamond, Program Coordinator Lutheran Social Services

**Location:** Scott High School (2400 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo, OH 43620)

**Date:** 11/21/19

**Time:** 6:00-7:30 pm

# December

**PBS/PBIS:** In this workshop, participants will learn what PBS/PBIS is, looks like in our schools, and means for students.

**Presenter:** Sue Rowe, Director of Positive School Climate

**Location:** McKinley STEMM Academy

**Date:** 12/4/19

**Time:** 6:00-7:00 pm

**Good Grief of Northwest Ohio Grieving Series 2:** This workshop will explore how to talk to children about funerals and what to discuss when deciding if a child should attend a funeral.

**Presenter:** Staff Member, Good Grief of Northwest Ohio

**Location:** TPS Board of Education, Thurgood Marshall Auditorium (1609 Summit St., Toledo, OH 43604)

**Date:** 12/11/19

**Time:** 6:00-7:00 pm

**Keep your kids learning over winter break:** Explore various ways to keep your kids learning and busy over winter break. In this workshop, you will create and play learning games and activities that can be replicated with your child at home.

**Presenter:** Alina Rodriguez, Family Engagement & Community Outreach Coordinator

**Location:** Navarre Elementary (800 Kingston Ave., Toledo, OH 43605)

**Date:** 12/18/19

**Time:** 6:00-7:30 pm



# January

## **Demystify Testing: Everything You Need to Know About SATs and**

**WorKeys**: At this workshop, participants will explore the ins and outs of the SATs and WorKeys tests, learn how to prepare, and take a deeper look at the kinds of questions, skills, and knowledge that are needed to be successful.

**Presenter:** Diana Jones-Manley, Senior Director of Advanced Academics for Toledo Public Schools

**Location:** Toledo Technology Academy (3301 Upton Ave. Toledo, Oh. 43613)

**Date:** 1/8/20

**Time:** 6:00-8:00 pm

**Help! My Child is Being Tested for Special Education**: At this workshop, participants will discover what to do when your child is being tested for Special Education services. This workshop will include information on the law, your rights as a parent/caregiver, and will include interventions as well.

**Presenter:** Beth Barrow, Executive Director of Student Services

**Location:** Kent Branch Library (3101 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo, OH 43610)

**Date:** 1/14/20

**Time:** 5:30-8:30 pm

**Good Grief of Northwest Ohio Grieving Series 3: Ten things grieving children want you to know:**

Children and teens tell us what they need and want as they grieve the death of someone close to them. Come learn more about the ten things your child needs and wants you to know during this process.

**Presenter:** Staff Member, Good Grief of Northwest Ohio

**Location:** TPS Board of Education, Thurgood Marshall Auditorium (1609 Summit St., Toledo, OH 43604)

**Date:** 1/15/20

**Time:** 6:00-7:00 pm

**Financial Recovery Workshop:** Come out to explore the financial help Lutheran Social Services has to offer. In this workshop you will learn about the various financial opportunity centers that exist through Lutheran Social Services and how you can connect with a financial coach and employment services.

**Location:** Scott High School (2400 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo, OH 43620)

**Presenter:** Maryanne Diamond, Program Coordinator, Lutheran Social Services

**Date:** 1/23/19

**Time:** 6:00-7:30 pm

**Using Scholarships to Fund Your Future:** This workshop will be dedicated to exploring the possibility of scholarships, learning when to apply, and tips on how to craft a winning essay.

**Presenter:** Emily Garcia, Senior Coordinator of Outreach & Training, Bowling Green State University

**Location:** Sanger Branch Library (3030 Central Ave., Toledo, OH 43606)

**Date:** 1/28/20

**Time:** 6:30-8:00 pm

# February

**Financial Aid, FASFA Completion Workshop:** In this workshop, parents/caregivers will explore options for funding their students' future. Parents, caregivers and students will learn about the financial aid process and get hands on assistance with filling out their FASFA on site.

**Location:** TPS Board of Education, Thurgood Marshall Auditorium (1609 Summit St., Toledo, OH 43604)

**Presenter:** Emily Garcia, Senior Coordinator of Outreach & Training, Bowling Green State University

**Date:** 2/5/20

**Time:** 7:00-8:00 pm

**Using Scholarships to Fund Your Future:** This workshop will be dedicated to exploring the possibility of scholarships, learning when to apply, and tips on how to craft a winning essay.

**Presenter:** Emily Garcia, Senior Coordinator of Outreach & Training, Bowling Green State University

**Location:** Birmingham Library (203 Paine Ave., Toledo, OH 43605)

**Date:** 2/11/20

**Time:** 6:30-8:00 pm

**Good Grief of Northwest Ohio Grieving Series 4:** Attend an open house at Good Grief for an in depth look at the peer support programs for children, teens, and adults who care for them.

**Presenter:** Staff Member, Good Grief of Northwest Ohio

**Location:** Good Grief of Northwest Ohio (440 S. Reynolds Rd., Suite D, Toledo, OH 43615)

**Date:** 2/12/20

**Time:** 6:00-8:00 pm

**Financial Aid, FASFA Completion Workshop:** In this workshop, parents/caregivers will explore options for funding their students' future. Parents, caregivers and students will learn about the financial aid process and get hands on assistance with filling out their FASFA on site.

**Location:** Toledo Technology Academy (3301 Upton Ave., Toledo, OH 43613)

**Presenter:** Emily Garcia, Senior Coordinator of Outreach & Training, Bowling Green State University

**Date:** 2/19/20

**Time:** 6:30-8:00 pm

# March

**Parent Advisory Board Meeting:** Parent University is a program that is meant to be for families created by families. Come let your interests and voice be heard in creating future workshops.

**Presenter:** Alina Rodriguez, Family Engagement & Community Engagement Coordinator

**Location:** Kent Branch Library (3101 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo, OH 43610)

**Date:** 3/4/20

**Time:** 6:00-8:00 pm

**Using Scholarships to Fund Your Future:** This workshop will be dedicated to exploring the possibility of scholarships, learning when to apply, and tips on how to craft a winning essay.

**Presenter:** Emily Garcia, Senior Coordinator of Outreach & Training, Bowling Green State University

**Location:** TPS Board of Education (1609 Summit St., Toledo, OH 43604)

**Date:** 3/10/20

**Time:** 6:30-8:00 pm

**Special Education and the Law: Know Your Rights!** At this workshop, participants will learn about the least restrictive environment, learn what the law states, and explore ways to make great achievements within the Special Education program.

**Presenter:** Beth Barrow, Executive Director of Student Services

**Location:** Reynolds Corners Branch Library (4833 Dorr St., Toledo, OH 43615)

**Date:** 3/24/20

**Time:** 5:30-8:30 pm

# April

**Parent Advisory Board Meeting:** Parent University is a program that is meant to be for families created by families. Come let your interests and voice be heard in creating future workshops.

**Presenter:** Alina Rodriguez, Family Engagement & Community Outreach Coordinator

**Location:** West Toledo Library (1320 W Sylvania Ave., Toledo, OH 43612)

**Date:** 4/8/20

**Time:** 6:00-8:00 pm

**Restorative Practices:** Learn what is being done in conjunction with the discipline policy.

**Presenter:** Sue Rowe, Director of Positive School Climate

**Location:** South Branch Library (1736 Broadway St., Toledo, OH 43609)

**Date:** 4/23/20

**Time:** 6:00-7:00 pm

**Put a Stop to Bullying:** In this workshop, participants will learn about the many faces of bullying, explore the effects of bullying, and learn how to handle such situations. The second half of this workshop includes a book reading/signing by a local author.

**Presenters:** Mary Wilson, Public Speaker/Kyle Csontos, Children's Author

**Location:** Oakdale Elementary (1620 E Broadway St., Toledo, OH 43605)

**Date:** 4/29/20

**Time:** 6:00-8:00 pm