

Parent Engagement for Active Child Enrichment



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PEACE Event: Learning Fair



Math Station



Story-telling Session
Involving Children in RolePlay

Upcoming Events

10/4: Nurturing the Growing Mind:
Cognitive Development and Tips
Santa Maria Hostel

11/15: Stimulating Literacy Development
Santa Maria Hostel

**AbleNet University Webinar Series:
Boost the Brain When it Counts**

9/13: Topic: Stimulate Literacy Development

10/17: Topic: Nurture Social-emotional with
Positive Behavioral Approaches

To register for the no-cost webinar,
visit: <https://www.ablenetinc.com/>
Click on 'AbleNet University Live
Webinars' under 'Resources' tab.

Parenting Education Conference at No-cost 'Together We Succeed' Conference

In collaboration with Baker Ripley Neighborhood Center
6500, Rookin St. Houston, TX. 77074

Register Early, Gain a Place.

Limited to first 50 families who register.

Click to Access [Conference Flyer and Registration Form.](#)

Or Email: pps4peace@yahoo.com Or call 832-415-3088

Recent Highlights - Parent-Child Engagement Learning Fair at SMH

At the Parent-Child Engagement Learning Fair held a couple of weeks ago at Santa Maria Hostel (SMH), energy, excitement and sheer delight was written on the faces of mothers and children who participated in learning stations dedicated to Math, Science, Literacy, Story-telling and Games for Infants. Station leaders from PEACE demonstrated and coached mothers on how to use simple, hands-on academic activities as they engage with and nurture their children.

Desha Busby from SMH commented, "Girleza and I were overwhelmed with pride as we witnessed our Women and Children Program interaction at the PEACE Education Fair (Learning Fair). Women embraced the knowledge from the activities provided and were seen listening, reading, singing, and smiling with their children. Not only did the families play with hands on Math and Science activities, they showed off their dance moves with the Scarf Exercise, it was all amazing."

Movement Fun During the Fair: Scarf Toss



When the fair ended, every child received a book (a classic, age-specific book) and a magnet or a pair of foam dice. This was to encourage mothers and children to continue to work on the academic activities demonstrated and practiced at the fair.

PEACE offers, at no-cost, workshops for parents/caregivers and Learning Fairs for families and children. Children at the Learning Fair receive Nurture Kits with educational materials.

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Book of the Month Suggestions

Theme: Mathematics

Age range: 4-8 years

Title: [Just Enough Carrots](#)

Author: Stuart J. Murphy

Age range: 4-8 years

Title: [The Doorbell Rang](#)

Author: Pat Hutchins

Age range: 5-8 years

Title: [The Boy Who Loved Math: The Improbable Life of Paul Erdos](#)

Author: Deborah Heiligman

Why we do what we do?

Research shows that a home environment that encourages learning is even more important than parents' income, education level, or cultural background.

Donate to PEACE

Consider donating to support the mission and activities of PEACE –a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization.

About PEACE

The mission of PEACE is to enable caregivers with limited resources to actively engage with their children to enrich their growing minds and prepare them for school and life success.

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Research Informs Us

Math achievement in Kindergarten influences later academic achievement.

Researchers tell us that a child's math skills in kindergarten are a key predictor of that child's later academic success—not only in math, but in reading, too. Also, [early math and reading achievement gaps are associated with gaps in science](#) that remained fairly stable from third grade through eighth grade. "Everyone says reading is most important... but [it was math](#) that stood out as serving the kids best in promoting later achievement", says Professor Greg Duncan of the University of California - Irvine.

Parents (and educators) have an important role to play in cultivating an interest in math in their young children and develop their math concepts. Our Parent-Child Engagement Learning Fairs routinely include Math and Science Stations to guide families with practical tips and on-the-go activities to foster their children's math and science knowledge and skills besides offering STEM-focused workshops.

At our 'Together We Succeed' parenting education conference in October, we will be offering STEM-driven Workshops and a Learning Fair with STEM-related Stations for families.

Parent-Child Engagement: Math Tips

✓ Get your preschooler to recognize and repeat patterns:

- Bear, Bear, Dog; Bear, Bear, Dog; Bear, Bear, What comes next?
- Flower, Seed, Seed; Flower, Seed, Seed; Flower, ?, ?
- Encourage your child to make up color, shape, or number patterns.

✓ Get your grade school child in thinking patterns.

- Have your child find the next row in a growing pattern:
○□
○○□
○○○□
?????
- Ask your child to find the missing number in the sequence:
28, 32, ?, 40, ?, 48, 52.

Click on the following link to download a free booklet, a resource for families to build math concepts in their young children (available in English or Spanish) titled, '[Talking is Teaching, Let's Talk About Math](#)' (<http://toosmall.org>). The Highlights children's magazine, in partnership with 'Too Small To Fail', has developed the above helpful booklet.

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