



A collaborative community program sponsored by:
Central Washington Comprehensive Mental Health
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Dear Parent Education or Family Support Professional:

The **Strong Families • Familias Fuertes Program** has been successfully offering parent training classes to area parents in both English and Spanish for over 12 years. In order to continue to expand our class offerings, we are looking for individuals interested in being trained as **Strong Families Facilitators**. CWCMH will be hosting a five-day **Facilitator Training** on October 10th through 14th, 2011 to prepare interested individuals to conduct future **Strong Families** classes.

There will be no fee to attend this training (a \$625 value) to participants who commit to facilitating classes for the Strong Families Program. The training prepares facilitators to lead parenting classes using the **“Strengthening Multi-Ethnic Families & Communities”** curriculum developed by Dr. Marilyn Steele.

We are particularly interested in training additional male facilitators and bilingual facilitators. However, all applicants will be considered for the available training slots.

The Facilitator Training will be held in Yakima at the Central Washington Comprehensive Mental Health Auditorium (402 S. 4th Ave.). The training will take place from 8:30 am to 5:00 p.m. each day (with a one hour lunch break), Monday, October 10th through Friday, October 10th. Participants are expected to be in attendance every day in order to be certified as a facilitator. After completing this 5-day training and facilitating one full class, you will receive your facilitator certification from the Parenting Across Cultures office based in Los Angeles. For more information about this parenting curriculum, or the facilitator training, please visit the Parenting Across Cultures web site at www.parentingacrosscultures.com.

If you are interested in applying for one of the available slots in this training, please complete the attached brief application and return it by **Tuesday, September 15, 2011** to:

Jim Pinnell
Strong Families • Familias Fuertes Program Coordinator
Central Washington Comprehensive Mental Health
P.O. Box 959
Yakima, WA 98907 FAX: (509) 574-5068 E-mail: jpinnell@cwcmh.org

If you have any questions about the **Strong Families Program** or the **Strong Families Facilitator Training**, please feel free to contact Jim Pinnell or Maria Vizarro at (509) 575-4084.

We encourage you to attend this training opportunity to support the Strong Families parent training program, or share this information with a friend or colleague who may be interested in being trained to become a Strong Families Facilitator.

Sincerely,

Paul Nagle-McNaughton
Vice President
Central Washington Comprehensive Mental Health

Application for Facilitator Training: Oct. 10th – 14th, 2011

Application deadline: September 15, 2011



Name: _____

Organization (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____@_____

Language preference for leading classes (check one): ___English ___Spanish ___Either

Location preference for facilitating classes (check all that apply):

- Yakima area
- Mabton
- Yakima County Department of Corrections (Main Jail or Justice Center)
- Wapato
- Ellensburg
- Goldendale
- Sunnyside
- White Salmon
- Other _____
- Grandview

Availability for facilitating (check all that apply):

- Monday Evenings
- Tuesday Evening
- Wednesday Evening
- Thursday Evenings

If daytime classes were an option, would you be available? Yes No

I can commit to facilitating at least 2 classes between October 2011 and December 2012:

- Yes
- No

Briefly describe your experience and training leading parenting classes, groups, or similar programs (may attach separate sheet if needed):

Please list three references for individuals who can speak to your abilities as a potential class facilitator:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>
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Signature _____ Date _____

Please return this application by **September 15, 2011** to:
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