



What is Family Leadership?

Family leadership emerges when community members and parents gain the knowledge and skills needed to succeed in meaningful leadership roles that help shape the future of families, youth, schools, and communities.



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Colorado Family Leadership Training Institute



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Families Leading Social Change

Would you like to obtain the knowledge, skills, and tools to become a “voice” in your community to effect positive change for children and families?

The Family Leadership Training Institute (FLTI) is a public-private partnership that works with local communities to provide parents, caregivers, and other interested adults with the knowledge, skills, and tools for civic engagement. The goals of FLTI are to:

- Help participants become the leaders they would like to be for children and families
- Expand the capacity of participants as change agents for children and families
- Develop communities of citizens within regions of the state that will support one another in skills development and successful action for children
- Facilitate systems change for family involvement with increased engagement of parents/caregivers in policy and process decisions
- Increase parent-child interactions and improve child outcomes through parent/caregiver involvement

Once recruited and accepted into the program family leaders are offered 20 weeks of training built on interactive adult learning practices. This includes:

- An all day retreat to develop group communication skills
- 1st series of 10 weekly sessions to develop personal leadership skills
- 2nd series of 10 weekly sessions to practice civic and democracy skills
- A community project based upon the student’s personal passions
- A local and state graduation ceremony

FLTI reflects a vision for the future that sees all families participating to make their communities healthier, cleaner, safer, and better learning environments for children, and that creates support and encouragement for those activities.

“I feel privileged to have shared this experience with other individuals who share my passion to create change. I want to make a difference for our children who don’t have a voice and for parents who are not always heard.”



“The discussions in class have taught me how to communicate intellectually, rather than emotionally. I have overcome the fear of speaking publicly and am more confident sharing my ideas and concerns.”



“I feel everyone has a story... FLTI has given tools to each of us to effectively share our stories and bring our hopes, dreams and ideas to fruition!”

-Larimer County FLTI Class of 2010