

AMS Newsletter



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Parent leadership Training institute

The Parent Leadership Training Institute (PLTI) is a **free program** seeking to enable parents to become leading advocates for children.

Parents are offered **three phrases** of training: A **retreat** to develop cohesion and define the mission. A **10 week course** on parent leadership, understanding personal history and its impact on perception. A **10 week study** of politics, policy and media with a **Community Project** to practice your new skills within a community framework.

How are participants selected?

Parents must complete an **application** and be **interviewed**. They will be selected for each class with consideration given to their ability to commit to the entire program, how their participation in the program will enhance diversity, strength and learning for the group as a whole.

Interviews: Tuesday, December 8th 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. or Wednesday, December 9th 6 p.m.—7:30 p.m.

Start Date: January 2nd: Saturday all day mandatory 9 a.m.—4 p.m.

Classes: 5:30pm—9pm , Tuesday or Wednesday (families choose)

Tuesday—Roosevelt Campus (Fordham)

Wednesday—Jane Addams Campus (South Bronx)

Interested? Get an application from Ms. Hudson



**Parent Leadership
Training Institute**



PowerSchool

PowerSchool is a web-based student information system that provides a full range of features families are able to access. Use PowerSchool to review your child's grades, attendance, and as a means to foster communication with your child's teachers.

PowerSchool has been updated to provide families

with a "single sign-on" for your children.

To create your account, you will need a username and password (contact Ms. Hudson). After your account is created, you will no longer need to use your username and password.

Go to <https://nvcharter.powerschool.com/public> for the PowerSchool log in screen. Click on the "create an account" button to start the process.

It is important that parents receive their username and password.

Hispanic Heritage Month

Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.

The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15. It

was enacted into law on August 17, 1988, on the approval of Public Law 100-402.

Our scholars represented the Hispanic culture with poise, grace and empathy. Thank you to all the families who attended.



AMS Clubs 2015–2016

- 3D Printing
- Advanced Digital Arts and FSO Club
- Books / Literature
- Chess
- Debate / Mock Trial
- Glee
- Mathletes
- New Media and Animation
- Senior Activities / Yearbook
- Spectrum
- Young Entrepreneurs
- Yoga

Upcoming Dates

- 12/2 and 12/3 Trimester final exams
- 12/4 Trimester final exams make-up date
- 12/4 Senior cap and gown fitting
- 12/10 Herkimer College instant decision day
- 12/16 Parent Teacher Conference 5:30 p.m.–7:30 p.m.
- 12/18 All college applications are due

Volunteer

The Office of Community Engagement and Alumni Relations needs monthly volunteers to assist with administrative work.

Duties include but are not limited to: mass mailings, communicating with potential collaborators, AMS

families, alumni and creating and managing files.

If you are able to volunteer your time and expertise, please call Ms. Hudson for the volunteer schedule and your availability.

We'd love to have you!



Family School Organization (FSO) Leadership Cabinet



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Parent leaders have volunteered their time to serving on the FSO Leadership Cabinet. As though partners they have agreed to represent you! Dedicated to making sure families have a voice, they are instrumental in assisting with the work around family engagement.

Here is the 2015-2016 FSO Leadership Cabinet

- Taushia Dibert (12th grade parent)
- Rhea Farrell (11th and 12th grade parent)
- Amy Hernandez (alumni parent)
- Marian Howell (alumni parent)
- Elaine Liriano (9th grade parent)
- Christine Ogutu (11th grade parent)
- Brenda Sutton (10th grade parent)
- Brandy Williams (12th grade parent) PARENT OF THE MONTH

From the Office of Family and Community Engagement

The Office of Family and Community Engagement looks forward to working with our families. As thought-partners, your voice matters and will always be appreciated and welcomed

The mission of the Family School Organization (FSO) is to “*update, involve and engage*” families by organizing and executing meetings, events and

workshops so they are up-to-date with their child’s academic and social/emotional performance as well as connected to the community.

I am very excited launch our FSO Webinars which will make it more convenient for families to receive information. Now you will be able to view workshops no matter where you are!

Should you have any questions, I can be reached at 781-817-7683 extension 1403 or at shudson31@charter.newvisions.org

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