

# 2018 Parenting Education Symposium

## Lead. Learn. Build.

The Parenting Education Symposium is part of the PreK-3 Implementation Series, which consists of strategically designed professional learning offerings. The focus is on great leaders, great teachers, and great systems while building and sustaining capacity for coherence throughout the learning continuum, before birth through grade three.



## "Transforming the Workforce"

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- **Lead learners model making growth a priority and lead capacity building.**

Those who work with parents and families understand that lifelong learning is an essential part of our profession. This includes such things as learning about ourselves, learning about families, and learning from others. Parent and family education leaders are committed to learning, growing, and continually improving. But, how do we prepare qualified, competent family professionals? When they start working with families, how do family professionals learn, grow, and improve? What support do they have to build on their knowledge, skills, and practice? The 2018 Parenting Education Symposium will focus on addressing these questions.

- **Leaders build systems. They empower and build others. They help build opportunities.**

Minnesota is experiencing a shortage of professionals who are prepared/qualified to work with parents and families. This shortage is not limited to rural areas, but also includes a shortage of diversity in the workforce. Parenting and family leaders and professionals need to come together to talk about how we grow the profession, develop practitioners, and support continued growth.

### EVENT DETAILS

Parenting education symposia were designed to be engaging, constructive forums where participants discuss and share best and promising practices in parent and family education. **The 2018 symposium focuses on the workforce of family professionals in Minnesota.** The goal is to build strategies for not only growing the profession, but also for developing and supporting the growth of practitioners who work with families. Participants will hear from experts in the field and then discuss strategies that will help us build a *Transforming the Workforce* plan.

- **January 10, 2018, 10:00-2:00 at the Minnesota Department of Education, Conference Center B. *Space is limited, register soon!***

### SYMPOSIUM RESULTS:

Collaborate in Minnesota schools, districts, and communities to build and support human and social capital in family programs and services so that:

- ▶ All Minnesota children are ready for school and schools are ready for children.
- ▶ Achievement gaps between children are closed.
- ▶ All 3rd graders are reading at grade level.

**More information and registration:** <http://parented.wikidot.com/2018-symposium>