Parents as Advocates
Hillside Children’s Center

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ABOUT THE SERVICE

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Monthly visits with parents (sometimes include the child/children) bring information about how to create a working relationship with their child’s school and teacher, what to expect and ask during a parent-teacher conference, how to create a smooth morning and home-coming routine and many more relevant topics. In addition, the evidence-based curriculum Parenting Wisely is offered during personal visits via an interactive computer program. Connection with other parents in a group setting through the offering of The Incredible Years parenting program further facilitates discussion and support in parenting a child during early school years.

Modeled after Family Resource Centers' successful delivery of the evidence-based Parents as Teachers program, personal visits typically occur one time per month for approximately an hour. Parents are empowered through the supportive, on-going relationship with their certified parent educator. Use of the Parenting Development Plan allows parents to identify and make progress towards their own goals. Anticipated benefits to participants of the Parents As Advocates program include:

- families actively engaged in the continuing education of their child and involved in the successful transition of their child to the formal school environment
- families confident in communicating with the teaching and administrative staff of their child’s school and skilled in advocating for their child within the school setting
- increased social support networks for families, including access by children in after-school activities
- increased parent participation in the school community and in opportunities for leadership

For further information, call 436-0370 x 308.
CONTACT INFORMATION

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Gender: Both

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