

California Head Start Parent Ambassadors Welcomes You!



The California Head Start Association is pleased to open recruitment for our Parent Ambassadors project. This effort is funded by California's Packard Foundation. Our goal is to enlist and train a diversity of Head Start's premier parent leaders to advocate for the needs of children, families and their communities.

This opportunity to participate in CHSA's Parent Ambassadors is exciting. We are seeking outspoken, natural community leaders. Bilingual applicants and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Here is how it works!

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You must be a current or past Head Start Parent or child. • You should be familiar with issues in the community or be willing to learn and grow to understand them. • You must be willing to travel to one event (travel paid by CHSA) January 29 & 30, 2007 Newport Beach, CA. • You must be willing to lead groups of parents, community members or advocates in your local area (with passion and excitement) to implement your goals. • You should be able to convey a love for learning and be comfortable, organized and aware of cultural differences of you community. • You must be willing to speak in public, communicate clearly and respectfully to elected and appointed officials. • And complete just a bit of paperwork to track your efforts... (Sorry it comes with the fun!) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Setting: We are recruiting 12 individuals who will speak up for our communities and encourage others to join along • CHSA's Project Coordinator will assist you in your logistics, training goals and materials. • CHSA will provide you with training in communication, advocacy research and other tools to get started. • CHSA will provide monthly materials and background information to assist your knowledge of the current issues. • CHSA provide you with a stipend of \$50.00 per month to off-set cost of local travel, telephone or other supplies. • CHSA's Project Coordinator will provide you with coaching and support. • CHSA will host quarterly telephone discussions to support the collective efforts and share success stories.

Application: CHSA's Parent Ambassadors Project Deadline is October 27, 2006

CHSA seeks diverse leadership from all regions of the California. Bilingual applicants and individuals with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Fax your application to 916-444-2257 or mail it to CHSA at 1107 9th Street, Suite 301 Sacramento, CA 95814

Name of applicant	
Home Address:	
City & State	
Phone/Email	
Agency Sponsor:	

1. Please share with CHSA the background of the applicant as parent leader? – what are some of the topics/issues they have worked on, who/what was the focus of their work? (Issues may be related to child, family or community)

2. Has the applicant been active in the area of leading groups?

3. Please share some of their values related to early childhood education?

4. Please list 3 individual they have worked with in the Head Start program or community: Name & Contact information (phone or email)
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 - 2.
 - 3.

Signature of your Head Start Program Director/Manager:

_____ Date: _____

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