

Training

Parents are given three phases of training with PLTI:

- 1) A retreat to develop group cohesion and define mission.
- 2) 10-week course on parent leadership, understanding personal history and its impact on perception.
- 3) 10-week study of politics, policy and media with a Community Project to practice your new skills within a community framework.

Children's Leadership Training Institute (CLTI)

While parents attend PLTI, their children can participate on-site in CLTI, a literacy-based curriculum that parallel's PLTI's weekly themes to instill leadership skills and civic knowledge. Participating children get a new book each week!

Selection

Parents will be selected for PLTI with consideration given regarding how their participation will enhance diversity, strength and learning for the group as a whole.

Who should apply?

Parents, teen parents, grandparents and other adults who wish to improve the lives of children, families and communities.

What Parent Leaders Say About PLTI

“What I have learned through PLTI is that every parent has the power to make positive change happen, no matter how big or small.”
Mary Lavasseur, Class 2007

“PLTI means empowerment, knowledge, confidence and translating passion into action. PLTI makes you rise above yourself to understand issues around us and work towards solutions.”
Sapna Sarat, Class 2014

Danbury PLTI

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The Parent Leadership Training Institute of Danbury



A Connecticut Commission
on Children Family Civic
Leadership Initiative

Free program with family dinner
and children's program provided

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Or visit:

www.cga.ct.gov/coc/plti_video.htm

College credits may be
available

New Session begins with a Retreat
on Saturday, January 10, 2015

Weekly Classes held on Thursdays

Family Dinner at 5 pm
Class from 6 pm – 9pm



Parent Leadership Training Institute Mission Statement

The Parent Leadership Training Institute (PLTI) seeks to enable parents to become leading advocates for children.

The cornerstones of the program are: respect, validation, and a belief that when the tools of democracy are understood, the public will actively engage in civic life.

Sponsors and Supporters

- ◆ Danbury Children First
- ◆ City of Danbury
- ◆ CT PIRC/Parent Trust Fund
- ◆ Bedoukian Research
- ◆ The Greater Danbury Parent Leaders ~ PLTI Alumni Organization
- ◆ The PLTI / PEP Civic Design Team
- ◆ Branson Ultrasonics
- ◆ The United Way of Western Connecticut
- ◆ Western Connecticut State University

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PLTI Curriculum

- January 10** – Retreat: Creating a Caring Community for Children
- January 15** – Week 2: Thriving with Diversity
- January 22** – Week 3: The Change Process
- January 29** – Week 4: Parents as Change Agents
- February 5** – Week 5: Define a Problem and Work Toward a Solution
- February 12** – Week 6: The Intentional Use of Language
- February 19** – Week 7: Learning How the Community & Local Systems Work
- February 26** – Week 8: Networks
- March 5** – Week 9: The Power of the Media and How to Use It
- March 12** – Week 10: Using Your Voice
- March 19** – Week 11: Life Cycle of the Child & Functions of the Family
- March 26** – Week 12: The Social & Economic Trends Affecting Children and Families
- April 2** – Week 13: What is Public Policy and How Do We Understand the Law?
- April 9** – Week 14: How State Government Works
- April 23** – Week 15: How Local Government Works
- April 30** – Week 16: Budgets –From Wallets to State – It’s all Money and Priorities
- May 7** – Week 17: Evaluation, Outcomes and Accountability
- May 14** – Week 18: The Magic of the Unexpected: Forming New Alliances
- May 21** – Week 19: Language: Packaging & Moving Agendas
- May 28** – Snow day make-up if needed
- Week 20:** Local Graduation TBD

There will be both local and statewide graduation ceremonies. Participants receive a diploma with the Seal from the Secretary of State at the Statewide PLTI Graduation ceremony held at the Legislative Office Building in Hartford in June, date TBD.

The Parent Leadership Training Institute Application

Name _____

Address _____ Town/City _____ Zip _____

Day and Evening Phone Numbers _____

Email _____

Number of Children / Name of schools, if attending _____

Ages of Children _____

Will your children participate in the Children’s Program on PLTI nights (CLTI)? Yes ___ No ___

Ethnic/Racial background _____

What issues concern you for your children and other children in the community? _____

What skills would you like to learn to become a strong parent leader? _____

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