

Parents' Technology Institute

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Course Content:

Parents will discuss issues related to instructional technology, what their role is in the integration of technology into the curriculum, and how they can impact their child's academic achievement. In addition to serving as a forum for discussion of technology-related issues, parents will have the opportunity to work with MacIntosh-based software applications--word processing, spreadsheet/graphing, hypermedia--and have hands-on training on MacIntosh computers. On completion of the class, parents will have made their own HyperStudio stack and completed at least 90% of the technology checklist.

Materials:

Software that will be used includes the following:

Word Processing: Bilingual Writing Center

Spreadsheet/Graphing: LabQuest, The Graph Club

Hypermedia/Database: HyperStudio

Various CD-ROM titles such as How a Computer Works.

Hardware that will be used includes the following:

MacIntosh Computers LC series (I,II,III)

MacIntosh LC 520s,575s

Apple One Color Scanner (Black and Color)

CD-ROM players.

Dot Matrix and Deskjet Printers.

Class Expectations:

Although this class is provided at no cost to you, as instructors we expect you to make the following commitments to us:

1. Weekly attendance on Tuesdays and Thursdays,

6:00-8:00 pm. If you are going to miss a class,

please call and let us know.

2. Provide your own floppy disks to save data and information. At least

four 3.5 inch high density disks are needed for the class, although

we suggest a box of ten.

3. Complete homework assignments and come to class prepared.

4. Be willing to participate enthusiastically in everything you do.