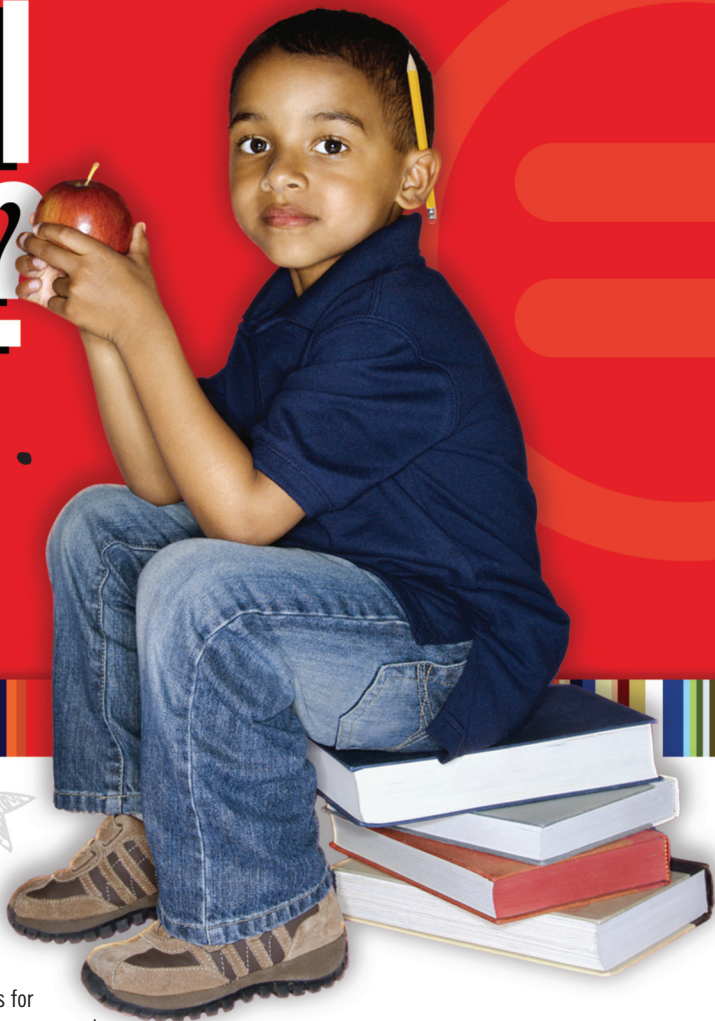


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Your Grand Rapids Urban League Parent Empowerment Network



OUR SERVICES

The Parent Empowerment Network provides services to families with children who are between the ages of 5 and 18 to ensure that parents, guardians, and families of children and young adults have access to accurate information, opportunities for training, and peer-to-peer support to accomplish the following:

- Better understand their children's educational and developmental needs.
- Obtain appropriate information regarding the range of options, programs, services and resources available to assist children and young adults with successfully completing school in grades K-12.
- Communicate effectively with personnel responsible for providing special education, early intervention, and related services.
- Support parents/guardians in decision-making processes and the development of Individualized Education Programs (IEPs).
- Participate in school improvement and reform activities.
- Advocate for the child's needs in a manner that promotes alternative forms of dispute resolution and positive relationships between parents and school officials.

WHO WE SERVE

Services are provided to parents, guardians and families of children ages 5-18, located in the Hope Zones for the purpose of parent outreach and engagement initiatives that recruit and support both the school and families toward the overall goal of academic achievement and student success.

WHAT WE PROVIDE

Access to a wide network of services to include:

- Review, consultation and training on IEPs
- Parent-to-parent/peer-to-peer support and mentoring
- Parent Training
- Advocacy
- Resources and Referrals
- College Readiness
- Employment, Career, and Workforce Development
- Employability Skills Training
- Housing and Homeless Prevention
- Health/Wellness and Tobacco Prevention

BENEFITS TO YOU

Services are comprehensive, culturally-relevant, and designed to empower parents and guardians to better equip and advocate for their children's academic success in grades K-12. Urban League services are provided in the context of an empowering culture that:

- Treats parents with respect
- Believes that parents value education and want their children to reach their fullest potential
- Establishes an inviting family gathering place Center for Education Innovation and Youth Development



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