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# ENGAGING PARENTS INSTITUTE FOR TRAINERS

## PARENTING PARTNERS/THE POWER OF SPARKS NURTURING SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT IN YOUTH

### Goals and Objectives of this Workshop

The goals of the Engaging Parents Institute for Trainers is to prepare parenting professionals, educators, and trainers to 1) facilitate the seven-session Parenting Partners: Practical Tools for Positive Parenting workshop 2) attend the new parent workshop: The Power of Sparks, to help your community understand why Sparks matter and how they can help youth develop from the inside out, and 3) learn about Search Institute's international groundbreaking research on Spiritual Development in children and youth.

By participating in this 4-day comprehensive workshop trainers will:

**Part I.** Learn to facilitate the powerful seven-session Parenting Partners training in their schools and/or community sites to:

- Increase parenting skills and confidence for parents
- Empower parents to become leaders in their homes, schools, and their communities
- Fullfill parent-engagement requirements for your school or organization

**Part II.** Attend the new parent workshop based on the book *Sparks: How Parents Can Help Ignite the Hidden Strengths of Teenagers* to:

- Experience the five-step plan to help adults ignite teenager's sparks
- Help adults build deep and sustained relationships with youth
- Recapture the joy of parenting

**Part III.** Attend the one-day training Nurturing Spiritual Development in Youth.

Trainers (along with parents and any youth-serving organization) will:

- Learn ways to assist young people in exploring their own spiritual development, and:
  - Experience a safe space in which to explore spiritual development through reflecting on their own experiences
- Examine a framework of spiritual development as a natural and essential part of a comprehensive approach to positive youth development
- Be able to create a supportive environment and conversation in which youth can freely share their own spiritual development regardless of their traditions and/or backgrounds

### PRICING – Participants have 4 pricing Options:

**Option A:** Complete package (all four days) \$699 (a \$800 value) per person including training curriculum, materials, lunch, snacks

**Option B:** Part 1 only - Parenting Partners TOT \$549 per person including Facilitators Manual & parent workbook, materials, lunch, snacks

**Option C:** Part II only – Sparks \$199 per person including materials, lunch, snacks

**Option D:** Part III only - Spiritual Development \$49 per person including materials, lunch, snacks

### MATERIALS – included with registration

**Part I:** Parenting Partners Facilitators Manual and parent workbook

**Part II:** The book *Sparks: How Parents can Help Ignite the Hidden Strengths of Teenagers*

**Part III:** Handouts

### TIMEFRAME (July 15-18)

**Part I –** Parenting Partners: Practical Tools for Positive Parenting TOT (all day Wednesday and Thursday 8:30 am – 4 pm)

**Part II –** Parent Workshop: The Power of Sparks (Friday 9 am to 4 pm)

**Part III –** Nurturing Spiritual Development in Youth (Saturday 9 am to 4 pm)

Engaging Parents Institute Hosted at Search Institute in Minneapolis, MN—July 15–18, 2009  
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