



# Department of Family and Community Services

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## A Parent's Best Resource Connection

The PRCs bring together a host of diverse programs and services under one roof, creating unique and centrally located services and resources dedicated to helping families with children.

## What's New...

- Arts & Crafts for Parents

## Parent Engagement Highlights

- Parenting Partners Graduation
- Madera High School PIQE Graduation

## Parent Engagement Programs Coming Soon

## La Posada Cultural Event

Lincoln Dec. 11



## PARENTS AS LEADERS GRADUATES 73 STUDENTS!

*Strengthening MUSD schools by engaging, educating and mobilizing parents.*

The Parents as Leaders Program is a 15 week course that meets two hours per session and provides training to parents to become school leaders with a focus on bolstering parent involvement through participation in school-site activities, district sponsored initiatives, school site councils, parent clubs, ELAC, DELAC and to serve as volunteers in support of classroom help and/or support a Parent Resource Centers. This program operates as a collaborative effort between MUSD and Madera Coalition of Community Justice.



Participants are equipped with fundamental parent engagement practices that help them learn how to overcome language and cultural barriers, gain an in-depth understanding of their responsibilities as parents in the public education system and expand their knowledge of Local Control Accountability Plan, as well as the functions of various MUSD departments available to support students.



## Art Class for parents at Monroe Elementary

The winter break is just around the corner, which means the children will be home looking for fun activities to occupy their time. Parents at James Monroe elementary are engaged in a NEW Arts and Crafts class that is preparing parents with easy, low cost handmade craft projects for children to enjoy during the winter break.

The arts and crafts class presents parents with holiday craft ideas to use with children and tap into their creative, thoughtful side through the use of household items to create handmade gifts. The class runs every Friday, 8:00 to 10:00 am.



**Monroe Elementary**  
Presents  
**Arts and Crafts**  
**FREE!**  
*All materials will be provided.*  
Come, create a seasonal masterpiece and enjoy a creative, fun experience you can share with your children during winter break.  
Fridays  
8:00-10:00 AM  
Monroe Elementary, Room 27  
674-5679

## Parent Of The Week

Mrs. Adelina Pulido is a proud mom and enjoys coming to the Monroe Parent Resource Center to engage in learning and fun projects. Mr. Pulido regularly attends computer literacy classes and the arts and crafts workshops. She has a child that attends Monroe Elementary. Mrs. Pulido is a dedicated and involved parent and enjoys learning skills that she can reinforce to help her son excel in various academic subjects.

