

NEWSLETTER
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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.

VISIT US:

Monday-Friday
8:00-11:30 AM
2:30-6:00 PM

Lincoln Elementary
RM. 707
650 Liberty Lane.
Madera, CA 93637
(559) 675-4600 Ext 1707

Madera South H.S.
Portable 2
705 W. Pecan Ave.
Madera, CA 93637
(559) 675-4450 Ext 1082

Monroe Elementary
RM. 27
1819 N Lake St.
Madera, CA 93638
(559) 674-5679 Ext 227

Sierra Vista Elementary
RM. 35
917 E. Olive Ave.
Madera, CA 93637
(559) 674-8579 Ext 177

Department of Family and Community Services

David Hernandez, Director

Parent Institute for Quality Education Now Serving Mountain Vista, Furman, MLK, Desmond and TJ

PARENT INSTITUTE FOR QUALITY EDUCATION (PIQE)

9 week course-2 hours per session

PIQE educates parents on how to foster a positive educational environment for students, both at home and at school. It allows parents to become the architects of their children's educational future. PIQE focuses on various topics that encourage parents to engage in meaningful discussion on how to communicate effectively with teachers and counselors and prepare students for post-secondary education.



PIQE provides training for parents on middle school and high school requirements. How to connect with school counselors, A-G college course requirements, school transcripts, college financial literacy, physical and socio-emotional development of teenagers, and ways to support their students on the path to college and a career.

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

Financial Aid Workshop Held As The Last Push To Help Students Apply for Federal Student Aid

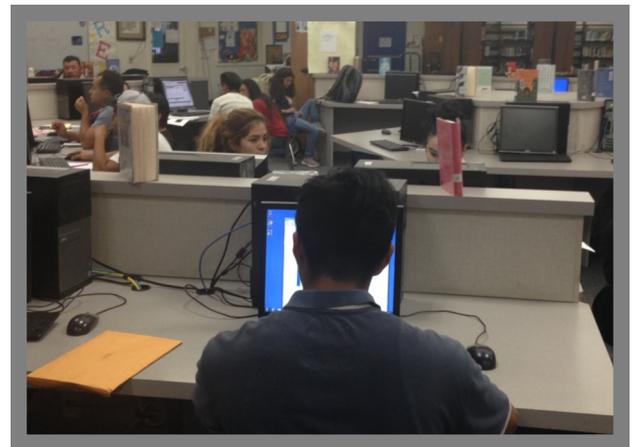
Parents and their high school seniors are one step closer to making college enrollment a reality. The Parent Resource Center Assistants in collaboration with the Department of Performance Management and Internal Communication, Madera South High School and Madera High School hosted two Federal Student Aid Workshops to help students and parents successfully complete the application using the financial aid online system before the March 2nd deadline. Students and their parents came with documents in-hand and used the computers to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

For many families, the FAFSA application is the only viable source to access money to support their child to acquire higher education. FAFSA financial aid workshops play a critical role to assist parents and students through the FAFSA application and help address difficult questions.

Parents, plan ahead! FAFSA application for the 2016/2017 school year begins October 15, 2016. FAFSA workshops help parents learn about the financial aid process, the ins and outs of college costs, applying for financial aid, searching for scholarships and how to make college affordable. All parents are encouraged to attend FAFSA workshops. Information will be posted on the Madera Unified School District website or visit your local Family Resource Centers for additional information.



Madera South High School



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Parent
Of
The Week



Mrs. Dalila Avila is being recognized as “Parent of the Week” for her dedication to education and parent involvement. Mrs. Avila is a proud grandparent and an advocate for education. She currently serves as a parent volunteer at the Sierra Vista Parent Resource Center, helping parents improve basic literacy skills.

Mrs. Avila is working in collaboration with the Mexican Consulate Literacy Project to provide an innovative model of basic education for adult learners. The program model integrates basic literacy learning to parents of children, with a desire to become literate in Spanish. Mrs. Avila offers literacy classes at Sierra Vista Elementary on Mondays and Thursdays.