

Parent Educator Certification Program

Echo Parenting and Education is excited to announce the 2012-2013 Parent Educator Certification Program. This program is designed for people who are interested in teaching the Echo Parenting and Education's published Nonviolent Parenting curriculum. Past participants have included teachers, therapists, and other professionals who are teaching parenting classes or integrating our philosophy into their work. This is a two part course.

Part One is the Nonviolent Parenting Educator Training (NPET). It involves an intensive course of study, reviewing the research, principles, and practices of Nonviolent Parenting. In an alive, creative, and dynamic learning environment participants will be immersed in the philosophical underpinnings and pedagogical framework for teaching in multiple settings. In addition to experiential learning opportunities, there will be required reading, class assignments, and frequent opportunities to practice presenting to the group and to receive feedback.

Part Two is the Parenting Educator Certification Program (PECP), a six month practicum for students who have completed the NPET. Students who wish to receive the Echo Parenting certification will be asked to join the practicum. Activities will include:

- * Observation of certified teachers.
- * Additional trainings and participant support group meetings.
- * Opportunities to practice teaching with supervision from an Echo Parenting teacher who will provide feedback and support to facilitate development of skills.

Upon successful completion of the practicum, participants will receive certification as an Echo Parenting & Education certified parent educator.

Who may apply:

The Parent Educator Training Program is designed for individuals who have completed a series of classes in Nonviolent Parenting at Echo Parenting. If you have not completed a series, please call Echo Parenting and speak with Brian or Ruth to discuss your participation in the training.

The NPET program will run from November 14, 2012 through January 27, 2013

It includes three intensive weekends where class will meet once a month on Fridays from 3pm - 9pm and Saturdays and Sundays from 10am - 8pm. There will also be Wednesday evening sessions that will meet from 6pm - 9pm. * *In January there will be addition Saturday aside from the three day weekend*.

Weekends

November 16,17 & 18, 2012 December 7, 8, & 9, 2012 January 25, 26 & 27, 2013 * And Saturday January 12, 2013

Wednesdays

November 14, 2012 - Orientation November 28, December 5, 12 & 19, 2012 January 9 & 16, 2013

NPET Graduation:

January 27, 2013



The fee for the program:

Part One (NPET) is \$2,530 (materials included.) Payment plans and some scholarships are available. **Part Two (PECP)** is \$500. Payment plans and some scholarships are available for this program as well.

If you are a parent, teacher, social worker, or counselor who is interested in studying, practicing, and teaching Nonviolent Education and Parenting and would like to participate in the Echo Parenting Nonviolent Parenting Educator Training, please fill out the Application Form.

Please return this application by email to glinares@echoparenting.org or mail to Echo Parenting & Education, PO Box 26938, LA, CA 90026 **postmarked by September 24, 2012**. When your application is received we will <u>schedule your interview</u>. If you have additional questions you can contact Glenda at 213.484.6676 x310.

The following is a list of books that will be referred to and discussed during the training.

Nonviolent Parenting Curriculum (given to all participants in the training program) Parenting for a Peaceful World by Robin Grille Parenting from the Inside Out by Daniel Siegel and Mary Hartzell Unconditional Parenting by Alfie Kohn Raising an Emotionally Intelligent Child by John Gottman Nonviolent Communication by Marshall Rosenberg Playful Parenting by Leonard Cohen Beyond Consequences, Logic and Control (Vol.1, Vol 2) Dare to Love – all by Heather Forbes Everyday Blessings by Myla and Jen kabat-Zinn Healing the Dark Emotions by Miriam Greenspan Bring out the Best in your Child and Yourself by Ilene Val-Essen

Echo Parenting has several of these books for you to purchase. You can also find these books at Amazon.com or ask your local bookstore to order them for you.

Additional articles will be given to you each Wednesday we meet. This will be supplemental reading to be done on your own time schedule. Please bring a large 3 ring binder to collect the readings.

Before training begins November 2nd we ask that you read:

- 1. First 96 pages of Parenting for a Peaceful World by Robin Grille.
- 2. Unconditional Parenting by Alfie Kohn Pages 1-92

From the Nonviolent Parenting Curriculum Introduction Week 1 and 2



Parent Educator Certification Program Application Form

| Name | |
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| Address | |
| Home Phone: | Cell Phone: |
| Email: | Best method of contact: |
| submission of this information will assist us in | to our funders on a periodic basis. Your voluntary to the preparation of these reports. This information will not affect the status of your application to PECP. |
| Are you: Female Male | Age: |
| Ethnicity/Race (please check all that apply): | n 🛛 Black/African American 🖵 Latina/o 🖵 Pacific Islander |
| 🗖 Mid | dle Eastern 🛛 White 🗳 Other: |
| Profession: | |
| Currently employed? \Box Y \Box N Employer: | |
| Are you participating in PECP to help you find employ | oyment? 🖸 Y 🗖 N |
| Name(s) and Age(s) of Children: | |
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| Highest level of education attained: | |



Other Trainings, Certificate Programs, etc:

Please describe your involvement with Nonviolent Parenting and your experience with Echo Parenting and Education:

Please attach the following documents to your application:

1. Resume

2. Letter of Support

Please ask someone in your life to write a letter of support for your participation in this training. Ideally this would be a person who has had experience with you as a parent, teacher, counselor, or is familiar with your interest in Nonviolent Parenting.

3. Writings

Please write about what has lead you to want to receive this training at this time in your life. Include what you hope to gain from this experience and any concerns or challenges you feel may be involved in the process. Please do not exceed three pages of writing.

4. Scholarship

If you are asking for a scholarship, please write a paragraph or two about how much you can afford and how much of a scholarship you are seeking. Include a payment plan i.e. monthly, bimonthly payments etc. Please let us know any information that you feel is relevant regarding your need for a scholarship.