



Osseo Area
Schools

Caregiver Academy

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DPAC's shared thoughts

- Formal recommendation: Structured engagement opportunities and resources, specifically designed to enhance student academic outcomes and social-emotional learning.
- Research shows having parents/caregivers as co-educators closes racial and economic achievement gaps and meets holistic student needs.
- Students need to be ready for kindergarten, graduate successfully and leave ready for college/career.
- Suggest a one-stop digital shop of resources and webinars to do this.
- Suggest it be called a Caregiver Academy, which is similar to Parent Academies or Parent Universities across the country.

Our additional research

- Digital and in-person versions across the country; sometimes for specific groups of families
- Examples tended to focus on navigating the school system, increasing home-to-school connection and general parenting
- Connected internally with learning/achievement, enrollment, multilingual, equity

Parent Learning: CPEO

Parents can enroll in a free parent academy called CPEO (Connecting Parents to Educational Opportunities). CPEO helps parents develop skills to help their children succeed in school.

CPEO is for parents with children in elementary, middle and high school. The program is taught in English, Spanish, Hmong and Somali.

The program runs for 3-8 weeks with classes once a week. Childcare, meals and transportation are provided to families who need them.

Topics

- Creating home learning environments
- Developing skills for collaborating with school staff
- Understanding your child's emotional and social development
- Navigating the school system
- Helping your child explore career and college options

The CPEO program is sponsored and supported by Minneapolis Public Schools. CPEO provides a framework for creating a community in which parents and teachers collaborate to transform each child's educational environment, both at home and at school, so that all children can achieve their greatest academic potential.

Enroll today!

Complete the form

- [Español](#)
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Goals

- Demonstrate our desire to partner with parents/caregivers to meet every learner's needs.
- Equip parents/caregivers with the knowledge and tools they need to support their students' growth and success, including a positive home environment.
- Equip parents/caregivers with the knowledge and tools to advocate for their student in our school system.
- Establish a more connected learning community.

Focus areas connecting to goals

- Getting started (system navigation)
- Academic growth
- Key transitions
- Family well-being and community resources
- Multilingual and cultural partnerships
- Awareness of events and additional support

AI-generated content example

Osseo Area Schools: PK-12 Osseo Parent/Family Hub or ACADEMY  Search resources... |  Language: [English v]

Welcome to Osseo Area Schools. We're Here to Partner With You.

Equipping parents & caregivers with tools to support student growth, navigate tech, and advocate for learning.

QUICK LINKS: [ ParentVUE Login] [ Bus Routes] [ Meal Accounts] [ District Calendar]

FILTER BY STAGE: [Pre-K / Early Ed] [Elementary (K-5)] [Middle School (6-8)] [High School (9-12)]

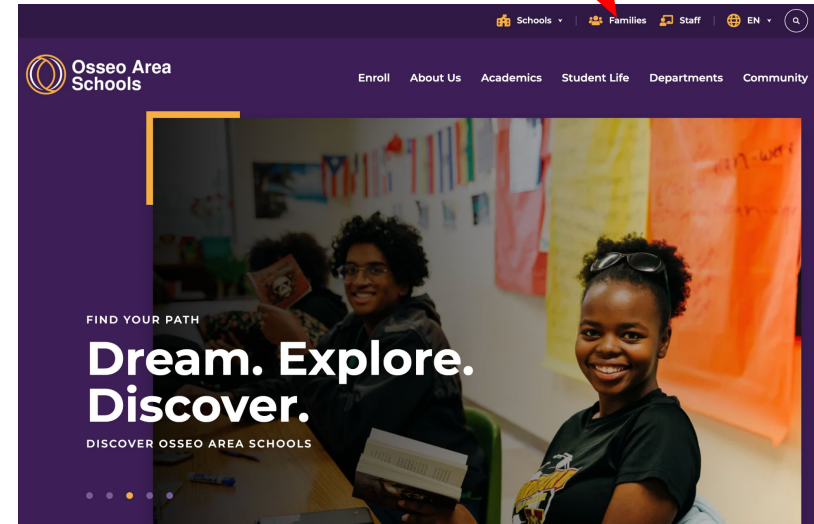
 1. Getting Started • Tech Tutorials (ParentVUE) • Bus Routes & Meal Accounts • Mid-Year Transfer Guide • Immunization Checklist	 2. Academic Growth • Grade-Level Expectations • Reading & Math At-Home • Understanding Score Reports • Special Ed & Interventions	 3. Key Transitions • Kindergarten Readiness • 6th Grade Middle Jump • 9th Grade High Transition • College & Career Pathways
 4. Family Well-Being • New Welcome Center • Housing, Food & Gas Support • Mental Health Directory • Caregiver Academy Series	 5. Multilingual Hub • Cultural Liaison Contacts • Translated Handbooks • Multilingual Family Nights • DPAC Advisory Group Info	 6. Events & Support • School Info Fairs • Course Registration Nights • Parent Classes and/or Need To Know Information • Direct Staff Directory

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Direction through spring 2027

A digital update

- Plan to overhaul the Families page linked at the top right of our website
- Content exists for many of the focus areas so will be included
- Content on Parent/Family Toolkit Google Site will also be included
- Parent/caregiver feedback will be asked and considered





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Renaming digital component to:

**Family/Caregiver
Resource Hub**



Considerations after this year

- Review possibility of offering hybrid how-to informational sessions using existing committees and/or departments, eg. FACE
- Review new family welcome practice at schools

Timeline

- Now through spring 2027
 - Gather internal and external feedback, including from DPAC, on the page outline
 - Add content and launch
- Summer 2027+
 - Start reviewing future considerations

Thank you for your time!
Happy to answer any questions