



# El Camino College Community Education

AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

## FOSTER & KINSHIP CARE EDUCATION



**FREE** classes for foster & kinship care resource parents focusing on skills needed for foster parents or relative caregivers to care for children in out-of-home care, as well as themselves.

**Our Mission:** The mission of the El Camino College Foster and Kinship Care Education program is to provide quality education and support opportunities to caregivers of children and youth in out-of-home care so that these providers may meet the educational, emotional, behavioral and developmental needs of children and youth in the foster care system.

### Why is the Foster & Kinship Care Education Program Important?

From 1989 to 1998, the number of children in California's foster care system has grown by more than 50%-- from 68,000 to 105,000. The dramatic increase in the state's foster care population has been attributed to many factors--there are a greater number of children living in poverty, increasing numbers of parents who abuse alcohol and drugs, and increasing cases of child abuse and neglect. The El Camino College Foster & Kinship Care Education program plays a vital role in providing licensed foster parents and relative caregivers with the training and education that will help them in meeting the multifaceted and often complex needs of the foster children in their care. El Camino College and other community colleges play an important role by providing over 25,600 hours of education/training to foster parents and relative caregivers.

### WINTER/SPRING 2019

| DATE                  | TIME              | JANUARY CLASS SCHEDULE  | TRAINER        | ROOM      |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---|----------------|-----------|
| Sat., Jan. 12         | 9:00 AM - Noon    | Developing a Healthy Self Concept in Our Most Vulnerable Youth                | Krystal Gordon | Stadium   |
| Sat., Jan. 26         | 9:00 AM - Noon    | Advocating for Children With Special Needs                                    | Gayle Gordon   | Decathlon |
| Sat., Jan 26 & Feb. 2 | 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM | D-Rate--(Fostering Children with emotional and behavioral issues) Pre-Service | Sandra Smith   | Stadium   |

| DATE          | TIME              | FEBRUARY CLASS SCHEDULE                                       | TRAINER       | ROOM    |
|---------------|-------------------|---|---------------|---------|
| Sat., Feb. 9  | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM | AB-12 Regulations   | Tammy Lanier  | Stadium |
| Sat., Feb. 23 | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM | Birth Parents: The Benefits & Challenges of Working with Them | Elonda Austin | Stadium |

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER FOR CLASSES:**  
**Call: 310-660-3593 Ext. 3585 E-mail: [fostercare55@elcamino.edu](mailto:fostercare55@elcamino.edu)**  
**To Become a Foster Parent: Call: (888) 811-1121**



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| DATE                       | TIME                             | MARCH CLASS SCHEDULE                           | TRAINER        | ROOM     |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|----------------|----------|
| Sat., March 9              | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM                | Vicarious Trauma                               | Theresa Reed   | Stadium  |
| Tue., Mar. 12              | 6:00 - 9:00 PM                   | Turning Dreams Into Degrees (Grades 11th-12th) | Jenna Provinse | Stadium  |
| Sat., Mar. 23<br>& Mar. 30 | 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM<br>Pre-Service | F-Rate--(Fostering medically fragile children) | Jenna Provinse | ITEC 115 |

| DATE               | TIME              | APRIL CLASS SCHEDULE  | TRAINER        | ROOM      |
|--------------------|-------------------|---|----------------|-----------|
| Sat., April 13     | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM | Challenges & Benefits With Visitations  | Elonda Austin  | Decathlon |
| Sat., April 6 & 13 | 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM | D-Rate--(Fostering Children with emotional and behavioral issues) Pre-Service | Jenna Provinse | Stadium   |
| Wed., April 24     | 9:00 AM - Noon    | Turn Dreams Into Degrees (Grades 9th -10th)                                   | Sandra Smith   | Decathlon |

| DATE         | TIME               | MAY CLASS SCHEDULE   | TRAINER                        | ROOM     |
|--------------|--------------------|--|--------------------------------|----------|
| Sat., May 4  | 9:00 - 11:00 AM    | Foster Youth Education Rights                                  | Alliance for Children's Rights | ITEC 116 |
| Sat., May 4  | 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM | Caregiver Education Success & Foster Youth Achievement Program | LAUSD FYAP                     | ITEC 116 |
| Sat., May 18 | 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  | Working with the Court & the Legal Systems                     | Tammy Lanier                   | Stadium  |

| DATE              | TIME              | JUNE CLASS SCHEDULE   | TRAINER      | ROOM      |
|-------------------|-------------------|---|--------------|-----------|
| Sat., June 1      | 9:00 AM - Noon    | Communication Skills  | Gayle Gordon | Stadium   |
| Sat. June 8       | 9:00 AM - Noon    | Drug & Alcohol Exposure & Children's Behavior                 | Toni O'Neal  | Decathlon |
| Sat., June 8 & 15 | 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM | F-Rate--(Fostering medically fragile children)<br>Pre-Service | Sandra Smith | Stadium   |

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