Like traditional Learning Parties, each Parent Leadership Learning Party session includes:

- **Parent Skill Development:** A Lead Trainer provides specific, content-based concepts and demonstrates a variety of activities, techniques, and strategies. Parents practice with their peers, while trainers observe and provide positive feedback and suggestions.

- **Child Learning:** While parents are learning new skills, children are engaged in play that aligns with the specific concept of the Learning Party.

- **Parent-Child Activities:** When the parents and children are reunited, they work together to complete an activity.

- **Parent Networking:** Parents have opportunities to meet, talk with and learn from other parents.

**Home Connection:** Parents are given a take-home activity and discuss ways to transfer knowledge into action.

The Parent Leadership Learning Party has been designed to support parents/family members as they take an active role in their child’s education and in schools, early learning programs, and local communities. Parent Leadership Learning Parties support growth and development in four areas:

- Trust and Communication
- Problem Solving and Conflicts
- Meeting Management
- Advocacy

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