

HOME IS A CHILD'S FIRST SCHOOL

The Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors (AP/OD) curriculum strengthens parent leadership, building better outcomes for families, children, and communities at large.

Our program...

- ▶ Honors parents' strengths and engages in culturally familiar and interactive activities
- ▶ Builds parent leadership skills and advocacy over multiple generations
- ▶ Results in better education outcomes for children
- ▶ Is co-created with parents
- ▶ Reflects the latest brain science research
- ▶ Creates a safe and welcoming environment
- ▶ Invests in parent empowerment providing the tools for them to become agents of change in the lives of their children
- ▶ Builds strong community ties, leads to long-term community engagement and social capital

The nation's first evidence-based comprehensive training program developed by and for Latino parents of children ages 0 to five years old and adopted by diverse communities across the country.



OUR CURRICULUM

Now in its 3rd Edition, AP/OD's 10-session program uses an evidence-based popular education approach to build parent leadership and improve children's academic outcomes. The curriculum:

- ▶ Is grounded in the latest research and brain science
- ▶ Is available in Spanish and English
- ▶ Increases social and emotional skills
- ▶ Improves early literacy and bilingualism
- ▶ Supports early math
- ▶ Teaches positive uses of technology
- ▶ Increases parent leadership and civic engagement
- ▶ Helps families plan and set goals
- ▶ Includes new evaluation tools that enable partner organizations to monitor and evaluate AP/OD's impact for parents in their programs and to share their results

OUR PARTNERS

Our partners are family-serving organizations and schools that adopt AP/OD as a transformational, culturally-relevant program. The cost-effective model certifies community-based facilitators to deliver the program to parents, caregivers, and partner organizations in their neighborhoods.

Our national training institutes teach facilitators the unique features of the AP/OD curriculum:

- ▶ Understanding the cultural and linguistic relevance of each session
- ▶ How to create a welcoming and safe environment for parent reflection
- ▶ Strengths-based/assets-based perspective for working with parents and families
- ▶ Popular education techniques, games, and ideas for parent outreach
- ▶ Ways to engage local partners

NATIONAL RECOGNITIONS

- 2018** Child Care Exchange Doyen in Early Care and Education
- 2017** Campaign for Grade Level Reading Champion
- 2017** New Profit Proximity Accelerator
- 2016** Champion of Children's Wellbeing by Ashoka Changemakers and Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
- 2015** White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for Hispanics "Bright Spot"
- 2015** The James Irvine Foundation Leadership Award
- 2014** White House Cesar E. Chavez Champion of Change Award
- 2012** Champions for Children Award

HOW TO BECOME A PARTNER ORGANIZATION

Let us partner with your organization to honor and support parents as leaders

Step 1: Contact us about adopting the curriculum and approach.

Step 2: Register to attend an AP/OD institute in person or online to become certified to deliver the program locally.

Step 3: Adopt AP/OD as your own to implement for your organization and community.

Step 4: Upon completing the program, parents become agents of change and advocates for their children and communities.

Step 5: Track the impact of your program using the AP/OD online evaluation tools to document and leverage how family outcomes are improving.



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FAMILIES
SERVED

3,500+
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PROGRAMS
OFFERED IN
400+ CITIES

500+
PARTNER
ORGANIZATIONS

AP/OD PARENTS REPORT...

96% gained confidence as a parent

92% learned important parenting skills

100% felt AP-OD respected their culture

*"Tell me and I will forget;
Show me and I may remember;
Involve me and I will make it mine."*



"I love this country and work hard so that my family can have the opportunities I never had. Abriendo Puertas helped me understand my role as the leader of my family. My son Miguel is three years old. I'm now taking him to the library, and reading with him every day. He will go to a university one day."

-Liz Ochoa, Parent



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Parent Leadership