

The School of Education

Welcome, Lindy Family!

We are excited to have your child participate in the Lindy Scholars Program at Drexel University. Our program goal is to provide enhanced educational services to middle school students and their families living in West Philadelphia and attending Alain Locke and Martha Washington Elementary Schools. The Lindy Scholars Program is not just for your children; **it's for parents and families too!**

The Lindy Family Seminars are designed for three purposes. First, the seminars offer pertinent information for families to support learning at home. Second, the seminars provide strategies to improve caregivers' advocacy for their children. Lastly, the Lindy Family Seminars expand the families' networks by introducing them to educational leaders across Philadelphia.

The Lindy Family Seminars are offered twice a month. The Wednesday evening session takes place at Locke Elementary School, 4550 Haverford Avenue, 5:30 – 7:30 pm. Dinner is provided. The Saturday morning session runs from 10 am – 12 noon, in the Main Building on Drexel University's campus, Randell Hall, 3141 Chestnut Street. Lunch is provided.

To offset the costs associated with attending the Lindy Family Seminars (such as parking, babysitting, etc.), we offer a \$400 stipend for attending five or more of the nine monthly sessions. While we encourage multiple family members to attend, the stipend is awarded to one person per family based on the child. The payment schedule follows:

- If you attend 5 or more of the 9 sessions between October 2011 May 2012, you will receive \$400 by June 30, 2012.
 - o If you attend 2 or more of 3 sessions between October December 2012, you will receive a stipend of \$150 by January 31, 2012.
 - o If you attend 3 or more of 5 sessions offered between January May 2012, you will receive a stipend of \$250 by June 30, 2012.

Please find the Lindy Family Seminar schedule for the 2011 – 2012 academic year printed on the back of this letter. Should you have any questions about the Lindy Family Seminars, please contact Dr. Kristine Lewis at ksl33@drexel.edu or 215.895.6088. We look forward to seeing you at the first session on Wednesday, October 19!

Sincerely,

Dr. Kristine Lewis Associate Clinical Professor of Education and Director of Lindy Family Seminars