



Family Leadership First
18th Annual Families Conference
April 20-22, 2012
“Family Leadership:
Guess Who’s at the Table?”

Canaan Valley Resort
Davis, West Virginia

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Family Leadership Conference is:

- A free training conference to build a network of informed family members
- The first step in creating WV Family Links in counties and communities

Why Family Leadership?

- Schools, programs, and projects are more successful
- Better use of our scarce resources
- Family needs better understood by the community and by policy makers
- Working together builds strong partnerships to solve problems

What’s in it for you?

- Meet new people in your state, region, and county
- Gain valuable training and experience
- Network with statewide organizations

Workshops planned for the conference are:

Prescription drug abuse, scream free parenting, positive behavior support for challenging children, bullying, cooking on a shoestring, first impressions, IEPs, Our Town, wills and trusts, Veterans issues, ABCs of a healthy lifestyle, home safety, money management, accessing local resources, voting, legislative 101 and a nature walk. For the teens, we are planning: say no to drugs, bullying, an art project, communicating with parents, teen leadership in the community, teen parent issues, IEPs, siblings with a disability, safe dating, first impressions, leadership in schools and leadership in the community. We reserve the right to make changes to the above topics that will be offered. Please visit website by April 1, 2012 for an updated list.

Child care will be provided by certified day care provider. Reminder if your child needs one-on-one care, you must provide the caretaker and we will provide the space.

Applications must be postmarked by **February 28, 2012**. Please mail to Family Leadership First, Vanessa VanGilder, 226 Dutch Road, Charleston, WV 25302 or Email to VKVanGilder@yahoo.com by **February 28, 2012**.

The Family Leadership First conference committee selects participants. We apologize that we will be unable to respond individually on the progress of the review process or reasons for the selection decisions. We will be sending invitations to the selected applicants in mid March, 2012.

If your family is selected to attend, your food and lodging at Canaan Valley Resort are covered free of charge to you or your family. A cash gas stipend will also be given on Sunday morning at the close of the conference.

Please mark your calendars and save these dates until March 15, 2012. If a family is selected and then has to cancel, we cannot put another family in their place. Also, if a family cancels at the last minute, we still have to pay for rooms and meals. We understand that emergencies do come up at the last minute, but we hope that families will do their best to honor their commitment to attend. We work hard to make sure that as many families as possible are able to attend. No substitutions can be made!

For more information or if you have any questions please contact VKVanGilder@yahoo.com or 304-421-0915.

Conference Schedule

Friday, April 20, 2012

3 p.m. – Registration Opens, Check into Rooms
3 p.m. – 9 p.m. – Information Fair
6 p.m. – 7 p.m. – Dinner
7 p.m. – 9 p.m. – Child Care
7 p.m. – 9 p.m. – Circle of Parents forum

1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m. – Workshop #3
3 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. – Break
3:30 p.m. – 5 p.m. – Workshop #4
5 p.m. – 6 p.m. – Family Time
6 p.m. – 7 p.m. – Dinner
7 p.m. – 8 p.m. – Networking Sessions
8 p.m. – 11 p.m. – Dance with DJ

Saturday, April 21, 2012

7 a.m. – 8 a.m. – Breakfast
8 a.m. – 5 p.m. – Child Care
8 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. – Welcome
8:30 a.m. – 10 a.m. – Workshop #1
10 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. – Break
10:30 a.m. – 12 noon – Workshop #2
12 noon – 12:45 p.m. – Lunch
12:45 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. – Keynote Speaker
1:15 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. – Break

Sunday, April 22, 2012

7 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. – Sunrise Service
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. – Breakfast
8:45 a.m. – 11 a.m. – Child Care
8:45 a.m. – 9 a.m. – Break
9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. – Workshop #5
10:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. – Check Out of Rooms
11 a.m. – 12 noon – Closing session, door prizes, and distribution of gas stipends.

The Teen Track will have the same Workshops Schedule as stated above.

We reserve the right to make change to the above conference schedule.

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You

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____

Phone: _____ Age: _____ Email: _____

1. How did you hear about the conference? _____
2. Have you attended the family leadership conference previously? Yes No
 If yes, how many times? _____ Last year? Yes No

Your Family/Group

List those attending with you *attach additional sheets if needed*). All attendees older than 13 must participate in workshops and trainings. Separate Child Care Form is required for each child under the age of 13 years that you will be bringing. **No substitutions can be made.**

Name	Age	Child Care Needed	Email address
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

Accommodations and Meals

Do you have special needs, requirements, or accommodations needs? Yes No

If yes, please list these needs: _____

Check which meals you will be attending

- Friday Dinner
- Saturday Breakfast Lunch Dinner
- Sunday Breakfast Lunch

Check which nights you will need a room for

- Friday Night Saturday Night
- How many rooms do you require? _____
- How many people per room? (4 per room) _____

Special Dietary needs _____

I give permission for pictures at the conference of my family/group to be used by FLF and other partner organizations for newsletter and other print articles and website descriptions of the conference. Please initial for approval: _____

I give authorizations for FLF and other partner organizations to send emails to the above emails. Please initial for approval: _____

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Child Care Information Sheet

Parent's/caregiver's name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

County: _____

Child's name: _____

My child is called by this name: _____

Age: _____ Date of birth: _____

Does your child have a disability we should be aware of? _____

Allergies (including food allergies): _____

Medications: _____ Time and dose: _____

_____ Time and dose: _____

Please specify additional medications: _____

Seizures: _____ Yes _____ No

My child communicates/expresses his/her wants and needs by use of:

Verbal communications Communication board Sign language Gestures

My child's feeding needs:

Self feeds Regular diet Sippy cup Bottle
 Pureed foods Finger foods Soft foods diet Adaptive equipment

My child's toileting needs:

Toilet trained Catheterization Diapers Adaptive potty chair

My child uses the following special equipment:

Crutches Walker Power wheelchair Manual wheelchair
 Adaptive chair Other _____

My child has the following special behaviors and this is how you should deal with them:

These are some of my child's favorite things to do: _____

Other information that I think would be helpful to know about my child:

Please complete a separate Child Care Information Sheet for each child.