



Grand Tots Day Center and Indiana Parenting Institute have partner

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CEDAR LAKE | Grand Tots Day Center (GTI) of Cedar Lake has partnered with Indiana Parenting Institute (IPI) to bring parent education to the families it serves. By adding this service to its roster, GTI has become a pioneer in its community: a youth-serving organization determined to succeed by actively incorporating parent engagement in the mix.

How so? GTI understands that sometimes parents can serve as their greatest obstacles in achieving the results they are seeking with their clients (primarily, to sufficiently prepare them for elementary school, middle school, high school, college, and life). By actively ensuring parents are on the same page as the goals and methodology being used, they better avoid conflict with what it is they are trying to accomplish.

How often have agencies incorporated a strategy that required "home work", to have the child return with that work unaccomplished? If a parent's routine at home involves the child, and school work interferes with that, school work often suffers. Helping parents understand what is required, and how to effectively schedule school duties with home duties, ensures more successful outcomes.

IPI has worked with parents for over 7 years now, and has successfully helped them transform their lives and the lives of their families. By getting parents on the same page as the goals of GTI for their children, GTI can rest knowing that what the kids have learned under their tutelage will be supported and further encouraged in the home, rather than being inadvertently sabotaged, as shown above.

Parents meet onsite at GTI (Holy Name School), 13209 Schneider, on Wednesdays from 2:00pm to 4:00pm to discuss their challenges and desires, and to help each other with ideas and suggestions to overcome and/or achieve them. They also meet to get informed and to acquire additional skills and resources by which to make healthier decisions and choices for themselves and their families. Refreshments, childcare, and giveaways galore are also provided. After 6 meetings, parents become eligible for a certificate, witnessing their commitment to strengthening their families and their lives. Any Cedar Lake/Lowell/St. John parent is welcome.

For further information, or to register, please contact Rosemarie at 219.886.1111. Space is limited.