How do I best advocate for my child?

#### The Twelfth Annual Baby Talk Is Here!

Do you feel comfortable talking with your child's teacher?

February 24, 2022

The Annual Baby Talk Event will be at Pinellas Technical Education Center, 901 34th St S. It will offer a community Powerful Parent Panel Presentation followed by the opportunity for table conversations about what parents and guests heard and questions still present. The COQEBS planning committee is hopeful your resources may provide some answers for the parents present.

In the past, your agency has participated by bringing information to share and contributed a giveaway or two for our parents attending. This year we are asking you to be a part of the evening by setting up in the presentation hall and remaining until the event is over. We are hopeful you will hear the concerns of the parents and how your agency may support. The extra time will provide parents more access to your table and resources.

We are asking you to formulate a question or statement that would define your resource and put it in a thought bubble. The bubble can be attached to the front of your table.

"Is your child anxious or worried often?" "Is your child having difficulty in school?"

"Concerns about a new baby?" " Questions about health? " " Need someone to listen?"

Parents may come as early as 5:30 PM and the program is set to run from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Parents may browse prior to the start, perhaps for a brief time after the panel finishes and at the end of the program for a few minutes.

Please respond to <u>bengisch@elcpinellas.org</u> to confirm your attendance and willingness to provide a giveaway, one of the favorite parts of this annual event. The flyer is attached and feel free to share. Feel free to ask any questions.

Gratefully,

Brett Engisch

COQEBS Baby Talk Committee



# BABY TALK

## "YOU ARE NOT ALONE"

12TH ANNUAL WORKSHOP AND PARENT APPRECIATION

Thursday, February 24, 2022

**6PM - 8PM** (doors open at 5:30 PM)

**In-Person & Virtual** 

**Pinellas Technical College** 

901 34th St South

St. Petersburg, FL 33711

FREE WORKSHOP

PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS OF CHILDREN AGES 0-5 YEARS OF AGE

#### ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

- Giveaways and
   Connections to Resources
- LIMITED childcare provided for ages 2+
- PCLB hours available
- Dinner Provided
- Passionate Powerful Parent Panels



Parents, you are the experts of your families and we want to hear from you! How have you navigated with your family during a pandemic to make sure your child is thriving each year and ultimately ready for kindergarten?

#### **REGISTER ONLINE**



FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT Delquanda@gmail.com

#### PRESENTED BY:















## LISTENING TO BABIES 10TH ANNIVERSARY

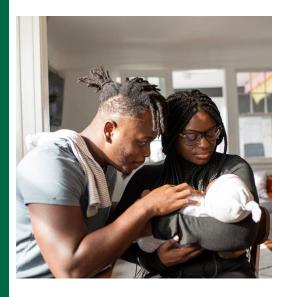
## SANKOFA: REFLECTING BACK, PLANNING AHEAD

WHEN: Friday, February 25 | 9:00AM - 3:00PM

(Doors open and continental breakfast served from 8:00AM - 8:45AM)

VENUE: Pinellas Technical College 901 34th St. South, St. Petersburg, FL 33711

(Use 11th Ave. entrance)



Open to all professionals who serve children and families prenatally through age 5, this annual training has advocated for culturally sensitive practice in supporting the social-emotional development of young African American children. Marking its 10th anniversary year, Listening to Babies 2022 takes a considered look both at gains and at areas where promise remains to be met. The event also launches coordinated discussions to begin considering the coming 10 years, highlighting birth-to-three, 3-4, and kindergarten year experiences and supports for Black children and their families.

\*The conference will be held live at Pinellas Technical College this year; participation for those immunocompromised or requesting virtual accommodations for other reasons is available and can be arranged by contacting Serina Lewis, <a href="mailto:serinalewis@usf.edu">serinalewis@usf.edu</a>

CEUs donated in-kind by the Early Learning Coalition! Free CE's (4) available for mental health clinicians offered by JWB (CE Provider #50-1125, Expires: 03/31/2023, for FL LCSW, LMHC, LMFT).

### Please register in advance for this meeting:

#### **CLICK HERE TO REGISTER**



This year's event will be moderated by Maureen
Joseph, LMSW, President of Transpire, LLC in New
Orleans. It will feature presentations from Twanna
Monroe, B.S., Owner/Director, Infinite Potential
Learning Center, Jacqueline Lang, B.S.,
Owner/Director, Imagination Station, Russia
Collins, LMHC, Clinical and Training Director, USF
Infant-Family Center, and James McHale, Ph.D.,
Director, USF Family Study Center.

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