

Parent Educator Certification Q & A

1. What is the purpose for the Parent Educator Certification Program?

The purpose of the program is to encourage and acknowledge the participation of parents in completing a course of educational study and volunteering with CWCS.

2. What are the level completion requirements for parents of K-6th grade students?

Level I and Level II (elementary) must be completed to receive the K-6 or elementary certification.

3. What are the level completion requirements for parents of K-6th grade students and 7th-12th grade students?

Level I, Level II (elementary), and Level III must be completed to receive the K-6 and 7-12 certification if you have students in grades K-12.

4. What are the level completion requirements for parents of 7th-12th grade students?

Level I, Level II (high school), and Level III must be completed to receive a certification if you have students in 7th-12th grades.

5. What constitutes a workshop? Do classes constitute workshops? (i.e. IEW Fast track class or other writing classes)

Classes that parents attend provided by CWCS are considered workshops for the purpose of the parent educator certification program.

6. Would standards based classes for core subjects' count?

Yes.

7. Do parents need to have this certification program completed by the end of the school year?

The parent does not need to complete the certification in one calendar school year. You may work at the certification at your own pace and complete it over the course of your time with CWCS.

8. What if a parent does not meet all the core level requirements at the Parent Workshop in February? What other opportunities will be available to complete the Core Requirements in the current school year?

Watch the parent listserv for any new opportunities that may arise.

9. For parents who do not attend the Parent Workshop in February, what other workshops are available throughout the school year that will meet the core requirements for each level?

There are various workshops that are offered in a given year that do not take place at the Parent Workshop. These workshops include but are not limited to: curriculum, writing, guidance, and STAR.

10. How far back can workshops attended by parents and events for which parents volunteered be used to fulfill core and elective requirements?

Although the program was introduced in February 2010, the workshops and events may be counted from August 2009.

11. Where can parents find the Requirements for Certification forms?

At our website <http://www.connectingwaters.org/ParentCouncil/parentcert.pdf>

At the school office

At the Ceres and Modesto Learning Center

12. Once parents have completed the core and elective requirements for each level, where does the form need to be sent to receive a Certificate and Parent Educator ID Card?

The completed form must be sent to the school office attn: CWCS, 12420 Bentley St., Waterford, CA 95386, Attn: Parent Educator Certification. Please make sure your name is on the form and the workshops have been signed off by the appropriate person. Forms that are not signed will not be accepted.