

Lee to offer bilingual workshop for parents

Parents who want to learn more about how to help their children attend and be prepared to succeed in college — or want to learn how to attend college themselves — are invited to a special workshop this weekend at Lee College.

The Parent College workshop will be held from 9-11:30 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 11, in the Cyber Café inside the Student Center ([map](#)) on campus. A continental breakfast will be served, and information will be available in both English and Spanish. Children and families are welcome to attend.

The first part of the workshop will address basic questions about college, such as the difference between associate degree and certificate programs; the actual cost of a college education and how to pay for it; and how to enroll in college without a high-school diploma.

The second part of the workshop will be interactive and feature ideas and suggestions for parents to create a college-going expectation in their homes, even with children at the elementary-school level. There will also be ample time for parents to ask questions.

“Many of our students are the first person in their family to go to college and they need that extra support,” said DeDe Griffith, director of the Gulf Coast Partners Achieving Success (GCPASS) grant and coordinator of Student Success Initiatives. “Working together, we can help them succeed and start a legacy of college success in their family.”

Funded by the GCPASS grant and sponsored by the Lee College Hispanic Education Access and Completion Committee, the Parent College workshop is the first in a four-part series. Additional workshops will be held Nov. 8, Jan. 10, and April 11.

For more information, contact Minnie Lopez at 713.562.6573 for Spanish-language support, or Griffith at 281.425.6518 for English-language support.