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Collaborative Action *for* Family Engagement

Learning at Home



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Make the shortest month count for family engagement with CAFE's latest edition of Learning at Home!

This month CAFE is featuring MAEC's Black History Month Resource List. How are you educating yourself and your littles this month? For articles, books, videos, and more to uplift Black voices this (and every) month check it out below.

What is CAFE?

Collaborative Action for Family Engagement (CAFE) is a program of MAEC serving Maryland and Pennsylvania. We engage in high-impact, culturally responsive family engagement. By building partnerships among schools, families, and community organizations, we improve all students' development and academic achievement.

New from CAFE



Corner CAFE

A Community of Practice for MD and PA family engagement practitioners

Authentic Partnerships with Families

February, 13 2023 1:00-2:30 pm

Why are home visits effective for building authentic partnerships with families? Join the Corner CAFE on February 13 to learn about the research behind the Parent Teacher Home Visits (PTHV) model. PTHV experts will share Five Non-Negotiable Core Practices to cultivate trusting

relationships between educators and families.

Upcoming sessions:

- March 13, 9:30-11 am
- April 17, 1-2:30 pm
- May 8, 9:30-11 am
- June 12, 1-2:30 pm

Join us at the **Corner CAFE!** The Corner CAFE is an interstate Community of Practice that brings together practitioners dedicated to bolstering family engagement practices in our districts, schools, and communities in Maryland and Pennsylvania. We will meet monthly over the course of eight months to promote best practices and resources and tackle challenges practitioners face around family engagement.

[Register for the Corner CAFE](#)

Resources for Our Families

You Are an Advocate!



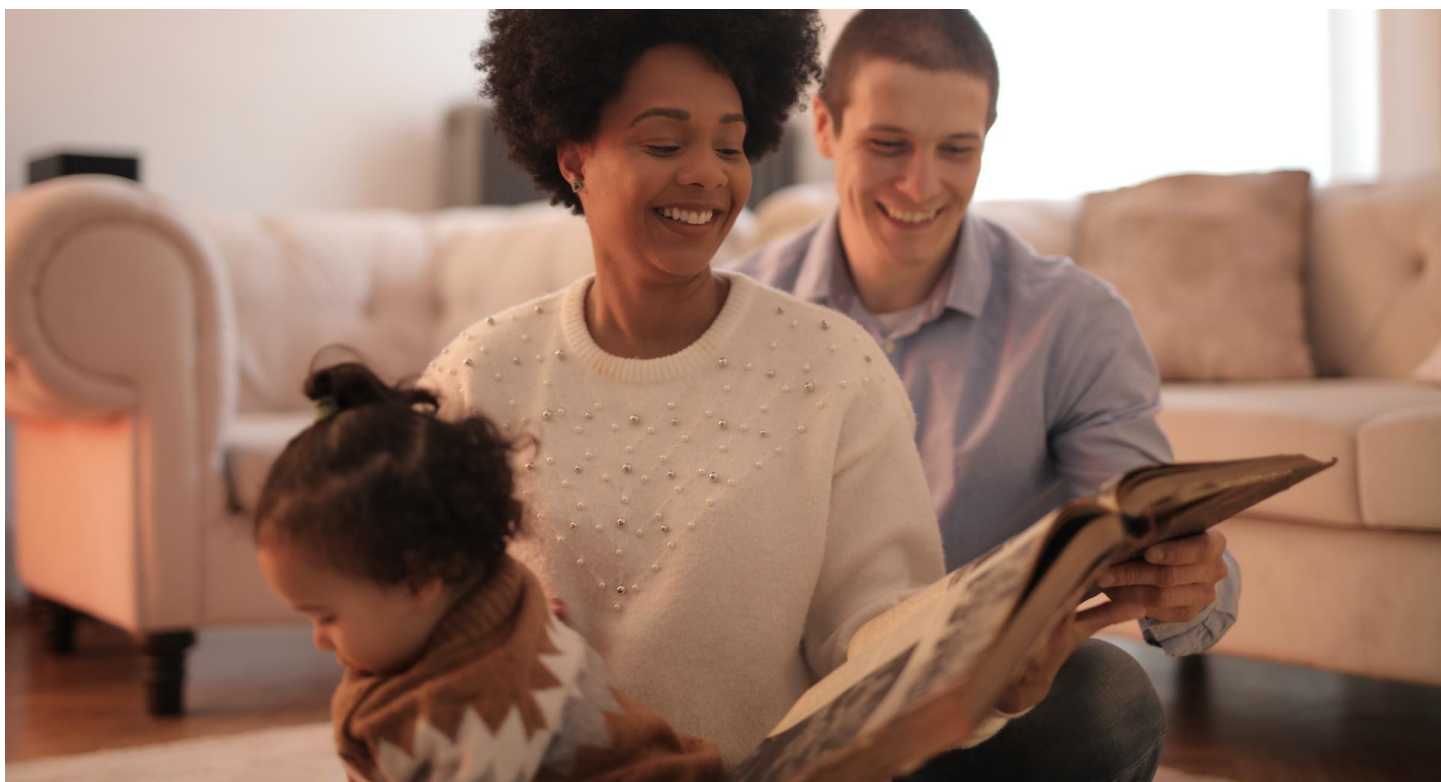


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You are your child's best advocate. Need strategies to help you along the way? Check out the resources below.

[Black History Month Resource List](#)

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How are you celebrating Black History Month at home? This month especially we uplift the experiences and impact of Black Americans in the United States. For resources for the whole family—we recommend [Can Kids Change the World?](#) Check out MAEC's Black History Month Resource List to find additional resources.

[Educator Preparation Framework for Family and Community Partnerships](#)

NAFSCE & MAEC

Beginning with the core beliefs and values of educator preparation in relation to family and community engagement, The Framework addresses key partners engaged in educator preparation to reimagine educator preparation for family and community engagement that makes systemic change.

[Tech Tips: A guide on technology and electronic resources for families and caregivers](#)

CAFE TEA

Digital Learning Day is February 23rd! Boost your technology skills with CAFE's Tech Tips.

[7 Ways to Encourage Your Child's Writing](#)

Financial Literacy is a Family Matter!



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It's important that children understand the value and importance of money at a young age. Check out these resources on how to share financial literacy with your children:

[How To Involve Kids In Your Family Budget](#)

Forbes

Your family budget affects more than just you. If you have kids, they are directly affected by the financial choices you make. Learn ways to incorporate your kids into your family budgeting and other ways to teach them about personal finances with this article.

[Advice By Age Group](#)

Sagevest Kids

Whether your child is 3 or 18, this resource offers advice and tips that are age-appropriate to support your child's financial literacy.

Mindfulness Corner





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It's essential as a family to find peace during stressful times. These techniques build on skills to create more serenity at home.

[Mindfulness for Kids](#)

The New York Times

Basic tips for children and adults of all ages, as well as several activities that develop compassion, focus, curiosity, and empathy.

[A Pre-Bedtime Meditation Routine for You & Your Kids to Try Together](#)

Yahoo

If you're dealing with a particularly fussy child at night, you might want to consider helping them unwind and relax by introducing a pre-bedtime meditation routine.

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