



# Strengthening Father Involvement

*Best Practices and Next Steps to Effectively Involve Fathers in Head Start Programs*

A two-day training presented by the National Head Start Association based on research and extensive national field experience.

Facilitated by J. Michael Hall, of Strong Fathers-Strong Families, this training provides the foundation and tools that are needed to better involve fathers in Head Start programs of any size.

This interactive, relevant, hands-on workshop includes:

- ◆ How involved fathers improve program and child outcomes
- ◆ Research on the best practices of involving fathers
- ◆ Time proven best practices and programs for fathers
- ◆ Interactive group activities to help participants learn by doing
- ◆ Media-based presentations to show programs first hand
- ◆ The foundations of effectively involving fathers in Head Start
- ◆ Timely training follow-up via email and web content

Learn alongside other Head Start professionals and fathers and discover how to build an effective, affordable, and relevant father involvement program that will improve child outcomes.

Training participants will walk away with the following tools:

- ◆ Fail-Proof activities for engaging fathers in your program
- ◆ Promotional and facilitation tools that work for all fathers
- ◆ Planning and Implementation tools for all programs
- ◆ Bi-lingual materials to use RIGHT NOW in your programs
- ◆ Tools to help you build your own fatherhood program
- ◆ How to use present funding to work with fathers
- ◆ Do's and Don'ts of effective father involvement
- ◆ Tools for working with female staff members and mothers
- ◆ Evaluation tools for your organization and your activities



**Join us at the Annual Training Conference in Nashville, TN in April!**

**2-Day Pre-Conference Track:**

**Sunday, April 20, 2008 1-5 p.m.**

**Monday, April 21, 2008 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.**

**Fee: \$475 Regular Conference Registration is included in the cost. SPACE IS LIMITED!**

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# Strong Fathers Strong Families

## About Strong Fathers-Strong Families

Strong Fathers-Strong Families is a training, technical assistance, and facilitation organization that is focused on strengthening children by strengthening fathers and families. Through staff training, consultation, and event facilitation, Strong Fathers-Strong Families works with Head Starts, Public Schools, and Churches as well as other organizations. Our goal is to improve the educational environment in order that men may become more involved in the lives of their children. Strong Fathers-Strong Families plans and facilitates events at the campus, organizational, and community level to bring men together with their children to discover their true strength as fathers.



J. Michael Hall, executive director, is the father of two sons and the husband to a wonderful elementary school teacher. He has worked as a special education teacher, a teacher of the gifted and talented, an elementary and middle school principal, and a regional field office coordinator in the fatherhood field. "Mike" has presented at many national conferences including National Head Start Conferences in New York, Anaheim, and Dallas. He has presented at various state and regional Head Start conferences as well as at conferences such as Texas Middle School Association, Texas PTA, The Dakota Fatherhood Initiative, Texas DARE Officers Association, The Texas Conference for Safe and Drug Free Schools, The Southwestern Fatherhood and Families Conference, The National Head Start Institute on Fatherhood, The Texas Association of School Boards' Parent Learning Network, The California Head Start Association, Texas Head Start Association, The Nebraska Fatherhood Initiative, The Region 6 ACF Mid-Winter Conference, The Texas Education Agency Parent Involvement Conference, Tennessee's Yes 2 Kids Conference, the New England Fatherhood Conference, as well as hundreds of schools and Head Starts around Texas and the nation. He has recently been a contributing author to the book Why Fathers Count (Men's Studies Journal Press) and he and his family have been blessed to be a part of the work at the Village of Hope in Ghana, West Africa over the past three years. ( [www.hallsforhope.info](http://www.hallsforhope.info) )

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