



The
*Finish Line!*sm
Mentoring To Build
Kids of Character
A Roadmap For Parents
of
Elementary School Children

Passkeys Foundation
Building A Nation Of Character



*The Finish Line!*sm *Workshop*

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Present The Finish Line Workshop
At Your School...

Receive a \$250 Character Education Grant

ORANGE COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE HOST

The Finish Line Workshop is hosted by an elementary school site PTSA to involve a **minimum of 35 parents** to enhance their skills and confidence as a mentor of character in the lives of their child(ren). The workshop is a 2 hour fast-paced, interactive, tools-focused experience that explores five Pit Stops to be understood in effective character mentoring. Additionally, attendees will be informed about resources from...The Finish Line /Parts Department to help them be in the Driver's Seat on their parenting journey.

HOSTING A FINISH LINE WORKSHOP RESULTS IN A \$250 CHARACTER EDUCATION GRANT TO THE SCHOOL

Based upon the minimum workshop attendance, Passkeys Foundation provides a **\$250 school site grant** to support the school to develop and implement a character education program/project that involves students in:(1) actions (2) educational experiences and (3) group reflection to support the practice of one or more character virtues.

THE WORKSHOP EVENT

The **Finish Line Workshop** is a participatory experience, not a lecture presentation. Workshop participants sit at round tables to facilitate lively, focused interaction during the workshop. See included *Mentoring Pit Stops Workshop Content*. The workshop event includes a 15-minute resources break, which can include a light dessert and coffee provided by the PTSA. It is **recommended, not required**, that the PTSA provide Childcare for attendees based upon parents signing up for childcare.

NO COST TO SCHOOL OR PARENTS /PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

There is no cost to the school PTSA or a parent to attend the workshop. To guarantee that the minimum attendance is met, the school site PTSA must have a **pre-registration sign-up of 45 parents two days prior to the workshop presentation date**. The purpose of the 45 parent pre-registration is to provide for a day-of-workshop attendance attrition due to unforeseen circumstances that can and do occur in the lives of parents and their families. Passkeys Foundation contacts the school site two days prior to the workshop. If the pre-registration sign-up is **less than 45 attendees, the workshop is cancelled**.

WORKSHOP PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS PROVIDED

Once a school-site PTSA has booked a FINISH LINE Workshop, Passkeys provides the school with two workshop announcement fliers for classrooms and parent workshop invitation.

Call today to book your school's FINISH LINE Workshop!



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Mentoring Pit Stops Workshop Content

- **Pit Stop #1: *Where am I going with my character mentoring parenting?***
Capturing The Johnny Appleseed principle of building Kids of Character in America? What is mentoring for character's Big Picture Mentoring reveals the values and virtues that encourage an individual's contribution to society. Learn important insights from the Search Institute's Development Assets.
- **Pit Stop #2: *What engine am I using with my character mentoring?***
Understanding the three styles of guiding children/ Which style promotes building kids of character? The three styles are three parenting themes presented by Love and Logic sm. The styles are:
The Helicopter: parenting that hovers over their children and rescues them from a difficult world
The Drill Sergeant: parenting that commands and directs children, denying personal responsibility and choice-making.
The Consultant:-parenting that provides guidance, encouragement, a life framework for children.
- **Pit Stop #3: *What classic character chassis can my mentoring help to build with children & youth?***
Guiding your child with values to overcome The 7 Failure Factors sm / What seven life-skills do kids need? Children become productive citizens as they discover Passkeys life management skills to replace the seven failure factors that cripple an individual's growth.
- **Pit Stop #4: *How can my character mentoring prepare children and youth to become moral and ethical thinkers to face life's tough road conditions?***
Mentoring a child to be an ethical and moral S.T.A.R. thinker / What is the four-step thinking skill? The **S.T.A.R.**sm process for moral and ethical thinking equips a child with self-monitoring skills for reflection and action:
Stop: I stop to think before I act. I learn to observe and not react.
Think: I think about choices. Choices harm or help. I have more than one choice. I am not a victim of other's choices.
Act: I act responsibly. My action is a choice. My actions can create or solve problems.
Review: I observe the consequences of my actions. My mistakes can help me make better actions. I can build character through consistent positive actions.
- **Pit Stop #5: *What are the seven character mentoring rules for the road?***
Discover the seven rules to be an effective character mentor with the children and youth.

About the Workshop Presenter:

Russell T. Williams is the founder and president of Passkeys Foundation, a publicly supported foundation he created in 1979. The foundation is a 501(c) (3); 509(a)(1) non-profit organization. Since 1996, under Mr. Williams' full-time leadership, Passkeys Foundation has developed innovative values and character education programs for children, youth, and adults and the business community.

Mr. Williams, a native Californian, is a life skills educator. Mr. Williams brings a rich professional background in public speaking, teaching and character development life discovery to the seven Passkeys life values that guide the foundation's programs. Those life values are: personal responsibility, positive self-worth, purpose, plan, paying the price, partnership and persistence.

Mr. Williams writes a weekly FINISH LINE character article for two community newspapers that is also e-mailed to approximately 750 parents and educators nationally. Passkeys Foundation has recently published its first book of essays called KIDS OF CHARACTER One Minute Mentoring Messages.