## **Apply Now!**

## www.ColoradoFamilyLeadership.com and click on 'Now Accepting Applications!'

Montelores Early Childhood Council is proud to offer our fifth cohort of the Colorado Family Leadership Training Institute for our community. FLTI course is offered free of charge; dinner and on-site childcare are also provided!

Who should apply? Parents, teen parents, grandparents, other family members, single people, young adults (age 15-19), veterans, fathers, foster parents, community members and others who wish to improve the lives of children and families in communities.

The FLTI curriculum is a proven curriculum that inspires, trains and empowers individuals to become effective leaders and change agents on behalf of children, youth, and families. This opportunity is only offered to 25 participants who are screened and selected based on their availability and readiness. Consideration is also given to how their participation will enhance diversity, strength, and learning for the group as a whole.

The 20-session FLTI curriculum is based on the premise that the family is a child's first and most important teacher. Family members are also the best advocates for children and communities. Community leaders including parents, youth, and family members, can be effective when they speak out on issues and inform policymakers, the media, and the community, about the needs of their members. FLTI offers stimulating educational sessions to boost leadership skills of participants in addressing areas of concern such as accessible child healthcare, the education achievement gap, neighborhood safety, and the significance of parental involvement. Each participant applies their learning to a community-based project that reflects his/her passion. Class participants will emerge as strong leaders and advocates for all children and their families.

- Applications due by December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013
- Applicants are selected for participation in the program through an interview process.
- Interviews scheduled in November and December 2013
- Classes start in January 2014
- For more information please contact:

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