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The Greatest Gift to a Child: *A Healthy Parental Relationship*

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Relationship Skills for Teens and Young Adults

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What the Dibble Institute believes ...





Presenter:

Dixie Zittlow, Director of Outreach



- She is trained and certified in numerous healthy relationship curricula and she has worked with at-risk teens, providing healthy relationship education for the last seven years.
- Before working for The Dibble Institute, she was a federal grant manager for 4 years where she established and trained facilitators in healthy relationship programs in WI.
- Her speaking engagements address topics of Domestic and Dating Violence, The Way to Forgiveness, Learning to Ask for What you Want, and Excavating Your True Self.
- Dixie was also a CASA (court appointed special advocate) volunteer advocating for neglected or abused children.
- Dixie has a Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Arts from Concordia University.



The Greatest Gift to a Child: A Healthy Parental Relationship





It matters that you are here.





It matters because children want to live in healthy families.



The parents' relationship affects a child.



We want those we serve to understand the importance of cooperative co-parenting.





The Greatest Gift to a Child...





Healthy
relationship
education
teaches...

The three key points today are...



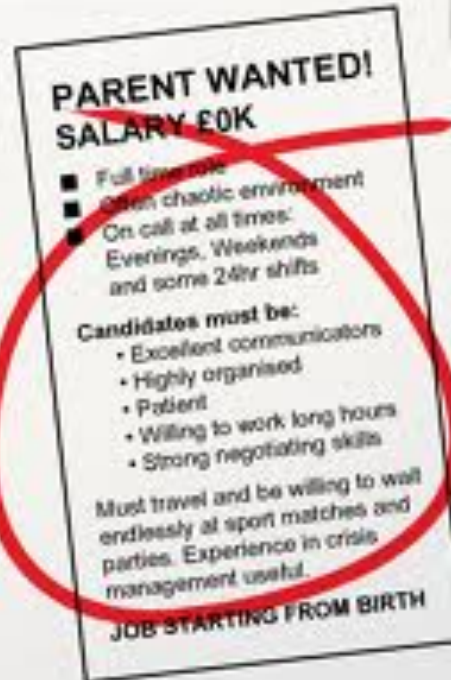


The parents'
relationship
influences a
child's life.





What does a child want?



Parents Wanted: Baby Looking for a Family

- What helps parents nurture and raise a child?
Consider:

- Job/Education
- Finances/money
- Maturity
- Relationship status of parents
- Material things that help
- Family, community connections



How would a healthy relationship help parents offer these benefits to a child?



What is the impact of the parental relationship on children?



A parent is a parent for life!



Paul Amato. "The Impact of Family Formation Change on the Cognitive, Social and Emotional Wellbeing of the next Generation." *The Future of Children* 15:2 (2005), 75-96



Inequality for children...





Speaking of Fathers in Particular...



What does it mean for girls?



What does it mean to boys?





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QUESTIONS

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Use the knowledge of what a child needs for a brighter future in planning programs for young people.



Healthy Relationship Knowledge and Skills...





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Healthy Relationship Knowledge and Skills...



“The results also suggest that a curriculum that focuses on the risk and protective factors in multiple aspects of family life was successful in producing positive changes in the quality of both father-child relationships and, when mothers participated fully as part of the couples’ groups, in maintaining both partners’ relationship satisfaction.”

Promoting Fathers’ Engagement With Children: Preventive Interventions for Low-Income Families by Cowan, Cowan, Pruett, Pruett, & Wong; 2009



Use evidence-based programs because they are:

- LISTED on the NREPP (National Registry of Evidence-based Programs and Practices/CDC)
- RESEARCHED
- EVALUATED (Auburn University, AL AND University of Louisville, KY)
- TRIED – HMI/Responsible Fatherhood grants (as well as PREP, Rape Prev., Upward Bound, TPP grants)



The message is that parents want the best for their children.





They can change their
relationship pattern.





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QUESTIONS

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Consider the
link between
healthy
relationship
education and
healthy
parenting or co-
parenting.



Healthy Parent Relationships in Today's Culture



The Co-Parenting Challenge



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Benefits of Healthy Parental Unions for the Child





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Let's make the message relevant.



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