

## About Us

Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPY) is an evidenced-based program that works with families in the home to support parents in their critical role as their child's first and most important teacher.

## The HIPPY Model

All HIPPY programs around the world follow the HIPPY model: a developmentally appropriate curriculum, with role play as the method of teaching, staffed by home visitors from the community, supervised by a professional coordinator and with home visits interspersed with group meetings as the delivery methods. A model HIPPY site serves up to 180 children with one coordinator and 12-18 part-time home visitors.

Each of the four features of the HIPPY model was chosen and developed in a certain way to allow participation from parents who might otherwise not get involved with their children's education. Although HIPPY is for any parent who wants educational enrichment for his/her child, the HIPPY model was designed to remove barriers to participation, due to lack of education, poverty, social isolation and other issues.

For an overview of each feature of the HIPPY model, along with detailed explanations of each feature's required and recommended elements, please click on each feature:

HIPPY strengthens communities and families by empowering parents to actively prepare their children for success in school. Parents are provided with a set of carefully developed curriculum, books and materials designed to strengthen their children's cognitive skills, early literacy skills, social/emotional and physical development.

HIPPY programs serve families from diverse ethnic and geographic groups across the nation, particularly those most at risk because of poverty, parents' limited education and social isolation. ***As a result, HIPPY is closing the achievement gap***

***by serving more than 15,000 families in almost 140 communities across the country.***

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