# Welcome to the 2021-22 School Year Shawnee Mission School District

## Parents as Teacher (PAT) and SM PAT-PTA

## What is the difference?

### Shawnee Mission PAT

Parents as Teachers is your Shawnee Mission School District birth-to-age-three program that shares research-based information while supporting and encouraging parents to take an active role in promoting their children's healthy development and school readiness.

SM PAT group connections provide structured classes designed to emphasize parent and child interaction, child development,

parenting skills, and family



well-being. Topics include...

- ✓ PAT Discipline Class
- ✓ Empower Your Child
- ✓ Toilet Learning
- ✓ Mindful Yoga
- ✓ Sleep Behavior
- ✓ Mini Block Fest Events
- ✓ Baby Sign Language
- ✓ Taste of Toddlerhood

There is no cost to PAT families to <u>attend</u> these group events.

### Shawnee Mission PAT PTA

Shawnee Mission PAT is proud to be the first PAT program in the country that has its own PTA. Our PTA is a parent volunteer organization.



The **PAT PTA** organizes many of the "fun" activities and events that are offered to your family throughout the year including...

- ✓ PTA Messy Morning
- ✓ PTA Fire Station Tour
- ✓ PTA Holiday Make/Take
- ✓ PTA Little Gym Play
- ✓ PTA Movin' & Groovin'
- ✓ PTA Explore w/Animals
- ✓ PTA Public Works Tour

The **PAT PTA** covers the cost of these events through annual dues or fees to attend the events.

Joining **PAT PTA** allows your family to participate in all the **PTA** events at no co

If you choose not to join the PTA, you are still enrolled in Shawnee Mission Parents as Teachers, the program that supports you in your quest to be the best parent possible. Health and safety guidelines are subject to change for the above events.