24 Week Program Schedule
Parent Group Curriculum - Synopsis of each session

Each session also will incorporate mindfulness and reinforce several words or phrases to be reinforced in each session:

- 3/4 When the mind is ready teachers or teachings will appear
- 3/4 When the community is ready teachers and teachings will appear
- 3/4 All Anishinabe(or human beings) want to be Understood and Appreciated

Session One: Bezhig

SelfLove, Self Esteem, Self Endian style.

## Value Statement on Codes Value Clarification

This Session looks at the system of culduvalues that are an important part of Indian societies and the unique customs that identify our culture. Our values shape our personality. Our behavior is based upon our values. When our Values are consistent with our behavior

mood thinking, such as dependent bonding; fear of loss; fear of separation; loss of power; emotional paralysis, and habitual behavior. Other behaviors that can have a hurtful effect on children are low selfworth, repression, controlling, poor communication, anger, and lack of trust, weak boundaries. Emphasis will be placed upon High/Natural Mood thinking.

Session Fourteen Ashi Niiwin

## Cultural Story - "How to listen" By, Bill Sutton

These next two sessions address the need for effective communication skills in the family. These sessions are designed to exiplwhy and how communication is important to Ojibwa Indian families. We will examine the causes for the Breakdown in communication skills within many Indian Families. (I.e. boarding Schools, Mission Schools) Traditionally, for Ojibwa people, communication was extremely important. It meant survival, knowledge, teaching, learning, good health, and long life. This session looks at the various levels of communication how they are expressed and learned through the cultural process. These four levels are: Intellectual communication, Emotional communication, Physical communication, and Spiritual communication. This process of communication is more important than ever in our ever-changing complex society.

Session Twenty Niishtana

Session TwentyOne Nishtana Ashi Bezhig Session Twentytwo Nishtana Ashi Niizh

Conflict Resolution and Decisionaking
Value Statement "Respecting Our Ways"
Value Statement "Bravery"

## Session TwentyFour Nishtana Ashi Niinin Post Assessment and Review

Cultural Celebration Program closur €east / Celebration / Recognition
Anishinabe Assgasweiwe Final Talking Circle

Participants will complete the post assessments at this session and review the sessions that were covered in the previous weeks. A feast, recognition ceremony and celebration are held for the purpose of giving recognition to the parents and families who where completed the family classes.