

What can Parents as Teachers (PAT) do for children, families, schools and communities?

- ✓ PAT detects developmental delays and health problems early.
- ✓ PAT children score higher on measures of achievement, language ability, social development, persistence in task mastery and other cognitive abilities.
- ✓ PAT combined with quality preschool reduces the achievement gap between low income and more advantaged children at kindergarten entry.
- ✓ Children achieve school success into the elementary grades.
- ✓ Families who take part in PAT had more books in their homes and spend more time reading together than families without PAT.
- ✓ Parents who take part in PAT are more engaged in literacy activities at home and in their child's school.
- ✓ PAT helps to prevent abuse and neglect.
- ✓ PAT parents showed significant improvements in parent knowledge, parenting behavior and parenting attitudes.
- ✓ PAT children have higher rates of compliance with The American Academy of Pediatrics' schedule of well-visits.

Information obtained from [Parents as Teachers Evidence-Based Research](#)