



Butte College Foster & Kinship Care Education Program

August 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4 Pod 3	5	6 Grandparents as Parents	7	8
9	10	11 Pod 1	12 Pod 7	13	14	15
16	17 Pod 4	18	19 Pod 2	20 Grandparents as Parents Pod 5	21	22
23	24 Pod 6 PAR-304	25	26	27 Understanding Behavior: Becoming a Behavior Detective	28	29

Resource Family Approval (RFA)

RFA Pods are classes designed for prospective foster families.

Class Title:	Date & Time:	Location	Trainer(s):
POD 1: Understanding Children's Services Division	Tue, 8/11/26 5:30pm-8:30pm	In-Person	Meka Klungtvet-Morano, MSW
POD 2: LGBTQ & Cultural Humility	Wed, 8/19/26 5:30pm-8:30pm	In-Person	Joyce Gonzales & Marin Hambley
POD 3: Attachment, Bonding & Trauma	Tue, 8/4/26 5:30pm-8:30pm	In-Person or Online	Sara Tingey Gordon, MS
POD 4: Grief & Loss, Transitioning Children into Your Home	Mon, 8/17/26 5:30pm-8:30pm	In-Person	Stephanie Hawkins, MA
POD 5: Common Illness, Car Safety & Resources	Thu, 8/20/26 5:30pm-8:30pm	In-Person	Butte County Public Health
POD 6: Mandated Reporting & Supporting	Mon, 8/24/26 5:30pm-8:30pm	In-Person	Stephanie Hawkins, MA
POD 7: Trauma Informed Discipline	Wed, 8/12/26 5:30pm-8:30pm	Online	Senta Burton, MSW

In-person classes are held at the Butte College Skyway Center
2480 Notre Dame Blvd, Chico, CA 95928

Advanced registration required: www.butte.edu/fosterkinship
Schedule is subject to change.



AUGUST 2026



Workshops & Trainings

Workshops & trainings are free and open to all!

Understanding Behavior: Becoming a Behavior Detective with Senta Burton, MSW

Every behavior tells a story. In this three-hour training, parents will learn how to look beyond challenging behaviors to discover what their child is really communicating. Through simple strategies, real-life examples, and practical tools they can use immediately, parents will leave with greater confidence, a new perspective, and a toolbox of effective techniques to reduce power struggles, strengthen relationships, and respond to behavior in ways that create lasting change.

Thursday | August 27 | 5:30pm - 8:30pm
In-Person: BC Skyway Center - 2480 Notre Dame Blvd, Chico

FREE: Butte College Non-Credit Parenting Classes!

Starting August 24 - PAR-304: Emotional Regulation at Home

8-Week Series:

Mondays, August 24, 2026 - October 19, 2026 | 5:30pm - 8:20pm

Hybrid: In-Person (BC Skyway Center) or Online (Zoom)

Open to All | Supportive | Empowering

For more information, go to butte.edu/parenting or email parenting@butte.edu

Grandparents as Parents

Grandparents as Parents is a support group of caregivers that are raising or have raised their grandchildren or another person's children. This group meets to provide support and information, as well as share personal experiences, with one another. It is open to any guardian, foster parent or anyone who is raising someone else's child.

1st and 3rd Thursday of the month | 11:00am – 1:00pm | BC Skyway Center