

# GET REAL ABOUT DISCUSSING ADOPTION WITH YOUR CHILD

## ***What comes to mind when you consider talking to your child about adoption?***

*Excitement? Guilt? Anxiety? Nervousness, happiness, or fear? A little of each? Wait no longer, as **NOW** is the time to get real with your child about discussing adoption.*

Please join Families with Children from China (FCC), Korean Focus-Indiana (KFI), Families for Russian and Ukrainian Adoption (FRUA), and Ninos de Amor for an educational seminar by Tara VanderWoude on the necessary skills and tools for adoption talk with your child.

- **Discover** why discussing adoption is vital to your child's self-esteem and identity
- **Walk through** a child's developmental stages of understanding and processing adoption
- **Consider** how the way you talk to others about adoption impacts your child
- **Prepare** your child to talk about adoption with others

*Tara VanderWoude works as an Adoption Specialist Social Worker for a not-for-profit adoption agency, assisting and supporting families throughout their journeys to adopt. VanderWoude presents education meetings on many adoption-related topics to both prospective and current adoptive parents, including presenting at several adoption conferences and culture camps. She has traveled to Korea as a volunteer with The Ties Program, an adoptive family homeland journey organization and sits on the Board of Directors for Korean Focus-Indiana. VanderWoude, who is both a Korean-born adoptee and adoptive mother, regularly gives of her time in the adoptive family community.*

**WHERE:** St. Richards School  
33 E. 33<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Indianapolis, IN 46205  
**WHEN:** Saturday, March 20  
9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

### **KFI, FCC, and FRUA members**

Individual \$ 5  
Couple \$10

### **Non KFI, FCC, or FRUA members**

Individual \$10  
Couple \$15

Childcare is available for toilet-trained children for \$5 per family.

**DOOR PRIZE!** Register prior to the day of the event to be entered into a drawing for adoption education materials!

# SATURDAY MARCH 20