

**ALBETAC Co-sponsored the Educational Conference for Korean Parents “Proactive Parenting” with  
Korean American Teachers Association of New York (KATANY), October 16, 2010**

Parents are their children’s first teachers and play a very important role in their children’s education. More than 50 participating Korean parents listened attentively for education information that would ensure their children’s academic success on Saturday evening, October 16, at Flushing Open Center. With such parental enthusiasm and support, it is not difficult to understand why many Korean immigrant students are able to quickly meet or exceed learning standards in American schools. Teachers from KATANY provided an overview of various aspects of educational issues from special education service to Korean language programs in public schools.

The President of KATANY Jennifer Kim welcomed parents to the conference and went over the important dates in the school calendar with them. Guest speaker Richard Bost, Principal of Fordham Leadership Academy for Business and Technology, informed the parents about the DOE website for school report cards which can be used as an important indicator when applying for high schools. ALBETAC Director, Pat Lo, encouraged parents to help their children to maintain their native language and become bilingual and bicultural. She also shared the ALBETAC on-line Bilingual Study Notes resources, with the elementary section already translated into Korean. Parents showed great interest in this newly developed side-by-side bilingual resource and agreed that it would help them facilitate their children’s learning. Asian Languages Bilingual Study Notes can be downloaded from [http://steinhardt.nyu.edu/metrocenter/albetac/resources/bilingual\\_study\\_notes](http://steinhardt.nyu.edu/metrocenter/albetac/resources/bilingual_study_notes).

The pictures of this event can be viewed at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/51221420@N04/sets/72157625204088124/>