

Become an Educational Surrogate Parent for an ESE Student

There are exceptional students in our community who very much need an educational surrogate parent. An educational surrogate parent is an individual who has been appointed to act in the place of a parent in safeguarding a child's rights in the special education decision-making process. The educational surrogate parent represents the interests of the child in all areas relating to the exceptional student education process and the provision of a free appropriate public education. A surrogate parent is not someone who takes care of the child (like an adoptive parent or a foster parent). A surrogate parent is not financially responsible for the child.

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The opportunity to share your time, use your skills, build relationships and see the results in your own community and in the life of a child are the rewards of being an educational surrogate parent.

We will be hosting a training on November 16, 2012, from 8:00 - 10:00 at 40 Orange Street, please contact Jill Bullard at 547-7712 to register. If you have questions about becoming a surrogate parent please contact Tina Kennon at kennont@stjohns.k12.fl.us.

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If you are interested in becoming a surrogate parent please contact

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