Surrogate Parent Training Information

If you are interested in becoming a surrogate parent, you must complete the Ohio Department of Education-approved online or face-to-face surrogate parent training with a State Support Team.

- Access the Ohio Surrogate Parent Online Training
- Look for training options with Ohio's State Support Teams

Participating in one of these courses will provide information about special education laws and procedures that will be helpful to anyone who is interested in the successful outcomes of children with disabilities.

The online course is presented in modules with opportunities to stop and review the information presented. You will complete each module in sequence. To move from one module to the next, you must successfully answer the questions at the end of the module. You will be able to review the module and complete the questions again if you do not answer them correctly the first time.

Upon completion of the last module and final questions, you will have successfully completed the course. You will receive a Surrogate Parent Certificate by mail.

If you are not interested in becoming a Surrogate Parent, but you do want to review the information about the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and the Individual Education Program (IEP) process, you may access the course modules in any order.

Additional information regarding surrogate parents for students with disabilities can be found on the ODE website, www.education.ohio.gov, keyword search surrogate parents.