

IMPORTANT RESOURCES

www.parentmentors.org

www.aadd.org

All About Developmental Disabilities

www.glr.org

Georgia Learning Resources System

www.p2pga.org

Parent to Parent of Georgia

www.gcdd.org

Georgia's Council on
Developmental Disabilities

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PARENT MENTOR PARTNERSHIP

The Cherokee County School District participates in the Georgia Department of Education's Parent Mentor Program; a data-driven national model for family/school/community collaboration.

The Georgia Parent Mentor Partnership encourages families of students with disabilities and/or other academic risks to be critical players in the school improvement process. The Parent Mentor engages families of students with disabilities; including 504, SST, RTI & Title I in the education process and promotes/provides family training and engagement as an integral strategy in almost every state performance goal in Georgia.

The Parent Mentor Partnership is a springboard for change with the combined goals of increasing the graduation rate for students with disabilities and engaging families in the education of their own children.



SERVICES OFFERED BY THE PARENT MENTOR

PARENT MENTORS CAN:

- Listen to your concerns and help resolve them.
- Provide information about available resources.
- Facilitate trainings on an array of areas and topics.

Mentors help answer questions you may have and provide support for you and your child so that he or she may have a better opportunity to succeed in their education.

Mentors attend several trainings throughout the year to stay current on Special Education issues as it relates to both Federal and State areas. Many of these trainings are facilitated by the Georgia Department of Education and/or experts in their subject areas.



CHEROKEE MENTOR



JO ELLEN HANCOCK is the mother of three children with disabilities; which include twins. Their disabilities range from Asperger's Syndrome, ADHD, OCD, Tourette's Syndrome and Bi-Polar Disorder.

Additionally, she currently serves as the Chair for the Region 1 Advisory Council, as well as Vice Chair for the Statewide Leadership Council for the Georgia Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Diseases (DBHDD). She has served as a substitute teacher in Cherokee County in addition to being a former classroom teacher.