



# WE ARE IN NEED OF **SURROGATE PARENTS**

## **WHAT IS A SURROGATE PARENT?**

The Individual with disabilities Education ACT (IDEA) requires that state and local school systems involve parents in decisions regarding their child's needs. In cases where the child has no parents, none can be located, or the child is a ward of the state, a parent surrogate must be appointed to represent the child and protect the child's rights in matters relating to identification, evaluation, and placement in a special education program. A surrogate parent must also complete required training regarding special education laws, rules, to a child with disability and be willing to put in the time to adequately represent the best interests of the child.

The Special Education Department of New Braunfels Independent School District is looking for Surrogate Parents. If you or someone you know would like to serve in this voluntary role for our students, please contact:

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