



PLACEMENT AUTHORIZATION – KINSHIP OR OTHER NON-FOSTER CAREGIVER

Purpose: Use this form to authorize placement in a regular kinship placement.

Directions: To complete this form, see 2085KOins. After completing this form mark each box to indicate that information has been reviewed with the caregiver. Obtain signatures and give the original to the caregiver and maintain a copy in the case record. Contact your supervisor for issues regarding use of this form with regular kinship placements.

CHILD'S INFORMATION

The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) has managing conservator of			
Child's Name: _____	Person ID: _____	Medicaid No. _____	Date of Birth: _____
Legal County: _____	Court No.: _____	Cause No.: _____	Date of Placement: _____
Ethnicity: <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Race: <input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Black <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaskan Native <input type="checkbox"/> Unable to Determine <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander		

CAREGIVER INFORMATION

Caregiver's Name: _____	Relationship to child. Select all that apply: <input type="checkbox"/> Relative <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Possessory Conservator <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
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DESIGNATION OF EDUCATION DECISION-MAKER
CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES (CPS) - PERMANENCY

Purpose: DFPS must ensure that this form is provided to the court and the child's school under Texas Family Code §26.006 within five days of the Adversary Hearing. DFPS must inform the court of any changes in the Education Decision-Maker or Surrogate Parent, if applicable, in the next permanency hearing report. DFPS must provide the updated information to the school no later than five days after any changes in the Education Decision-Maker or Surrogate Parent, if applicable.

Directions: To complete this form, fill in all applicable fields. For additional questions, contact your Regional Education Specialist. DFPS staff may not appoint a surrogate parent. DFPS staff may only list the name of the surrogate parent appointed by the court or the school.

SECTION 1: AUTHORITY TO MAKE EDUCATION DECISIONS

The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) is authorized by court order as provided in the Texas Family Code §153.171 to make education decisions on behalf of the following child currently in the conservatorship of DFPS.

Child's Full Name:	Child's DFPS IMPACT Person ID:	Child's Medicaid Number:
Date of Birth:	County:	Cause Number:

DFPS delegates to the following individual(s) (hereinafter referred to as the Education Decision-Maker) the education decision-making responsibilities on behalf of the child as described in this form. **Note: A representative of DFPS may be named as a primary and/or backup Education Decision-Maker.**

Designated primary Education Decision-Maker (and spouse, if applicable):	Date of designation:
Email:	Telephone Number(s):
Backup Education Decision-Maker:	Date of designation:
Surrogate Education Decision-Maker for special education decisions:	Date of designation:
	Designated by: <input type="checkbox"/> Court <input type="checkbox"/> TSD
Email:	Telephone Number(s):

SECTION 2: SPECIAL EDUCATION RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES – IF APPLICABLE

Federal and state law authorize the individual who is acting in the role of the child's parent or who is appointed by the school or the court to be the "surrogate parent" for the child to exercise the rights and responsibilities as outlined by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and state law and rule. The individual is usually the foster parent or daily caregiver, but may be a Court Appointed Special Advocate or other individual with knowledge of the child. In some cases the biological parent may retain the right to make certain special education decisions.

The law does not allow a DFPS staff person, school district staff, or anyone employed to provide care or treatment for the child to act as the parent or surrogate for special education decision-making. A foster parent is not considered a person employed to provide care for the child.

At age 18, the rights of the parent to make education decisions are transferred to the child, except for the child with a disability who has been determined to be incapacitated under state law.

SECTION 3: ACKNOWLEDGMENT, AGREEMENT, AND SIGNATURES

- As the Education Decision-Maker, I acknowledge and agree that:
- I have no professional interests that conflict with the interest of the child I represent.
 - I will comply with the Education Decision-Maker Rights and Responsibilities as described in SECTION 2.
 - I understand that failure to cooperate with DFPS may be the basis for revoking this designation.

Education Decision-Maker signature: X	Date Signed:	
Backup Signature: X	Date Signed:	
DFPS Caseworker (print name): X	Phone Number:	Alternate Phone Number:
Email Address:		
DFPS Supervisor (print name): X	Phone Number:	Alternate Phone Number:
Email Address:		
Child's daily caregiver or faculty staff (if different from Education Decision-Maker) (print name): X	Phone Number:	Alternate Phone Number:
Email Address:		



TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES

COMMISSIONER
H. L. Whitman, Jr.

04/16/

[REDACTED]

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Dallas TX [REDACTED]

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Hello I am the Permanent Managing Conservator of [REDACTED] (DOB: [REDACTED]).
[REDACTED] has been placed in the care of his maternal grandparents [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] as
of April [REDACTED], 20 [REDACTED]. The home of Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED] is intended to be permanent. Mr. and Mrs.
[REDACTED] are undergoing the Department's Fostering/Kinship program in order to have
conservatorship of the child transferred to them. If you have any further questions you can
contact me at any time. My information is provided below. Have a great day!

Thank you,

[REDACTED]
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