

Instruction

Appointment of Surrogate Parent

The Superintendent or designee shall appoint a surrogate parent to represent a child with exceptional needs in accordance with law and shall develop procedures for recruiting, training, and assigning adults to serve as surrogate parents. Before individuals are

appointed as surrogate parents, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that they have had a criminal background screening and have demonstrated interest in working with children with disabilities, sensitivity to ethnic and cultural factors, and ability to work cooperatively with others.

Legal References:

Education Code

56028 Parent (definition includes surrogate)

56050 Surrogate Parents

Government Code

7579.5 Surrogate Parent; appointment; qualifications; liability