**Would You Like to Volunteer as a Surrogate Parent?**



**What is a surrogate parent?**

“…an individual appointed to act in the place of a parent in educational

decision-making and in safeguarding a child’s rights under the [federal]

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and [state law].”

§ 39.0016(1)(c), Fla. Stat.

**Who needs a surrogate parent?**

A student with a disability or a student who is suspected of having a disability, needs a surrogate parent when the natural parent or guardian is unknown, or the whereabouts of the natural parent or guardian cannot be determined, or the child is a ward of the state or ward of the court under the laws of the State of Florida.

**St. Johns County School District is searching for surrogate parents**

If you are interested in learning more about the significant role a surrogate parent plays

in the lives of our students, then please join us:

**When: Friday, October 30th, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Where: The School Board Office, 40 Orange Street, St Augustine, FL 32084**

**To Register: call the SJCS Office of Exceptional Student Education (ESE) at 904-547-7712**