



Family Matters is seeking volunteers in all counties of the state to act as Educational Surrogate Parents at IEP meetings for students with disabilities who are children in care of the state or who do not have a parent who can legally represent them at special education meetings.

Interested volunteers must complete a six-hour training. If you are interested but cannot attend any of the training options below, call our office to be notified of future training events at other locations.

You must register for these trainings by calling our office: 866-436-7842, x3516.



July 29, 2022 from 9am to 4pm
C E Brehm Memorial Public Library
101 S 7th St
Mt Vernon, IL 62864
Lunch will be on your own from 12-1

August 12, 2022 from 9am to 4pm
Carbondale Chamber of Commerce
131 S Illinois Ave
Carbondale, IL 62901
Lunch will be on your own from 12-1

August 31, 2022 from 10am to 5pm
Centralia Regional Library
Library Park
515 E. Broadway
Centralia IL, 62801
Lunch will be on your own from 12-1

September 1, 2022 from 9am to 4pm
Cahokia Public Library
140 Cahokia Park Dr
Cahokia, IL 62206
Lunch will be on your own from 12-1

September 22, 2022 from 9am to 4pm
Options CIL
22 Heritage Drive
Bourbonnais, Illinois 60914
Lunch will be on your own from 12-1

October 12, 2022 from 9am to 4pm
Family Matters PTIC
1901 S 4th St Ste209
Effingham, IL 62401
Lunch will be on your own from 12-1