

WAYNE COUNTY DISPUTE RESOLUTION CENTER



Presents

Parent Education Program Understanding Friend of the Court and Mediation

Virtual sessions are held every other Tuesday at 6 pm, Registration begins at 5:45 pm Dates are for 2026

Jan 6th, 20th March 3rd, 17th, 31st May 12th, 26th July 7th, 21st Sep 1st, 15th, 29th Nov 10th, 24th Feb 3rd, 17th April 14th, 28th June 9th, 23rd Aug 4th, 18th Oct 13th, 27th Dec 8th

Join online at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84893157647

Who should attend?

- Anyone who:
 - Has a Friend of the Court case
 - Wants more information on Friend of the Court procedures and processes
 - Would like to know about how mediation can help in Friend of the Court Cases

What will I learn about the Friend of the Court?

- Case types the Friend of the Court handles and what the Friend of the Court does
- How a case moves through the Friend of the Court
- Ways to get information about your Friend of the Court case

What is mediation?

- A process involving:
 - Two or more parties involved in dispute or legal disagreement
 - Meeting in a private and confidential place with mediator to help resolve the issues
 - A mediator who is neutral, certified, and trained to help promote honest communication to assist parties to come to a mutually acceptable agreement

What are the benefits of mediation?

- More control over the outcome of the dispute
- Equal say in the process
- Preservation of relationships
- Fosters compromise

**** Mediators do not give legal advice ****

The Parent Education Program is a collaboration between Wayne County Dispute Resolution Center and Third Judicial Circuit of Michigan.