



# WAYNE COUNTY DISPUTE RESOLUTION CENTER



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## Parent Education Program Understanding Friend of the Court and Mediation

***Virtual sessions are held every other Tuesday at 6 p.m.***

Jan 17th, 31st    March 14th, 28th    May 9th, 23rd    July 18th    Sep 12th, 26th    Nov 7th, 21st  
Feb 14th, 28th    April 11th, 25th    June 6th, 20th    Aug 1st, 15th, 29th    Oct 10th, 24th    Dec 5th, 19th

Join online at [www.zoom.us/j/84893157647](https://www.zoom.us/j/84893157647)

Registration begins at 5:45 pm

### ***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.