

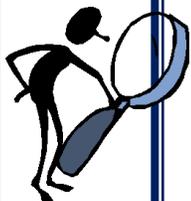
# Shenandoah Valley Foster Care and Adoption



**Want to know more? Join our next series!**

Parent Resources for Information, Development, and Education (PRIDE) pre-service training gives the information you need to make an informed decision about whether fostering/adopting is the right choice for your family and provides the skills needed to work with children and families in the foster care system.

**Virginia requires completion of pre-service training and assessment as a part of the approval process for all "resource parents"** (foster, adoptive, respite, and formal kinship care). All adult household members must complete background checks. More information about the process, including checks and other health & home requirements, will be reviewed in our first training session.



## **REGISTRATION REQUIRED:**

Contact Heather Hudnall at (540)245-5869  
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for information or to register.

*Please register by August 9<sup>th</sup>.*

## FALL Schedule, 2019

This series features in-person training as well as on-line learning between sessions:

- 1) **August 15, 2019 (6 – 9pm):** Introduction to Modern Foster Care/Process and Requirements
- 2) **August 17, 2019 (9:30am – 4:30pm):** Connecting with PRIDE/Protecting and Nurturing Children & Youth  
Online topics to complete after Session 1: *Child Welfare Team, Child Abuse and Neglect, and Child Development*
- 3) **August 24, 2019 (9:30am – 4:30pm):** Meeting Developmental Needs, Loss and Resilience/Self-Esteem and Identity  
Online topics to complete: *Attachment, Behavior, and Caring for Children Who Have Been Sexually Abused*
- 4) **August 29, 2019 (6 – 9pm):** Strengthening Family Relationships  
Online topics to complete: *Working with Primary Families and Cultural Issues in Parenting*
- 5) **September 5, 2019 (6 – 9pm):** Panel & Making an Informed Decision  
Online topics to complete: *Reducing Family Stress, The Impact of Fostering, and Foster Care to Adoption*
- 6) **September 12, 2019 (6 - 9pm):** Permanency and Adoption

### **All in-person sessions will be held at SVSS**

68 Dick Huff Lane, Verona  
(enter through the Red Cross Door at the back of the building and follow the signs to the training room)

**All sessions are required** (for both parents if a two-parent household). Light meals will be provided. Please note that the information presented is not appropriate for children and we regret that we are unable to provide child care.