



CASA for Children of Klamath County  
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Special Services Director  
Klamath Falls City Schools  
1336 Avalon  
Klamath Falls, OR 97603

Special Services Director  
Klamath County School District  
10501 Washburn Way  
Klamath Falls, OR 97603

Re: In the Matter of \_\_\_\_\_  
School \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Sir or Ms.:

\_\_\_\_\_ has been appointed by Judge \_\_\_\_\_  
as the Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for the above children. Enclosed is a  
copy of the signed Order.

CASA looks forward to partnering with you as we advocate for these child(ren).

**ORS 419A.170.** ORS 419A.170 directs CASA to investigate all relevant information  
about the case and to advocate for the child, ensuring that all relevant facts are brought  
before the court. Therefore, the CASA will:

- “Contact the child regularly as appropriate to the case;
- Provide consistent advocacy for the child from case assignment . . .;
- Monitor educational, health, mental health, developmental and dental needs,  
assessments and treatment implementation;
- Recommend appropriate services for the child or family. . .;
- Monitor changes in the child’s placements;
- Attend/participate in all court proceedings regarding the child;
- Attend/participate in other agency meetings regarding the child as appropriate;
- Advocate for but not provide transportation for the child or family;

- Recommend and monitor appropriate visits between the child and the parent(s) and other appropriate persons, but not supervise the visits; and
- Make written reports and recommendations to the court.”

**COMMUNICATION.** CASA volunteers are the “Child’s Voice in Court”. In addition to relaying the child’s wishes, CASA works together with several partners in order to make fact-based recommendations in the best interest of the child. These partners include, but are not limited to:

- DHS Child Welfare
- KYDC
- Lutheran Community Services
- Klamath Tribes
- Klamath Falls City Schools
- Klamath County Schools
- Medical providers
- Mental health therapists,
- Developmental Disability Services
- Community Corrections
- Juvenile Department
- Crisis Center
- Attorneys
- Family members; and
- Others who have knowledge of the child’s history.

**EDUCATIONAL NEEDS.** CASA understands that among the risk factors facing youth in foster care, it is low educational achievement that has the most adverse effect on long-term adjustment. Please send notices of meetings; e.g., IFSP, IEP, to \_\_\_\_\_@co.klamath.or.us, so the CASA may provide the judge with information on the child’s current circumstances and educational needs.

We look forward to partnering with you.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures



## CASA Contact Information

CASA Volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

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