



Surrogate Parent Training

A surrogate or foster parent may be needed to represent a student with a disability during the special education process as outlined by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act (IDEA).

In cases where the child has no parent(s), none can be located, or the child is a ward of the state, a surrogate parent must be appointed to make educational decisions on behalf of the child and to protect the child's rights in matters relating to identification, evaluation, and placement in special education.

To serve as a surrogate or foster parent of a student receiving special education services, an individual must meet several criteria, one of which is to complete a training that has been identified to meet the minimal standards established by the Texas Education Agency.

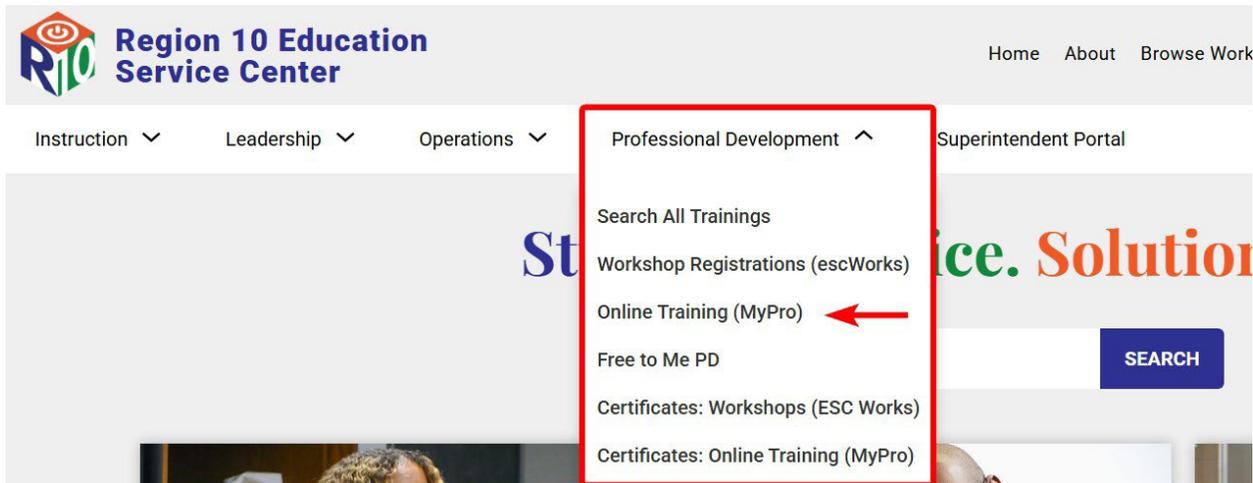
Surrogate parent training only needs to be completed one time. The completion certificate should be provided to the district.

Additional information can be found on the [SPEDTEX website](#).



How to register for the Surrogate & Foster Parent Training Module

Go to the Region 10 website at www.region10.org. At the top, click the **Professional Development** dropdown, then click **Online Training (MyPro)**.



Create an account

If you are a first-time user, you will need to create a user account. To do this, click on **My Account** at the top of the screen.



New Customers

If you are NEW to the Region 10 Education Service Center, click on the **Create New Account** link below and complete the information requested.

[Create New Account](#)

Then click on Create New Account

Validate your new account.

- You will receive an E-mail confirmation with instructions.

Complete the fields to create your account.

Organization Filter

Region 10 Campuses	All Tx Campuses
Tx Private Schools	Tx Charter Schools
LEA Admin/Staff	ESC/TEA Staff
Other	

Choose a button above to **FILTER** the Organization and Campus lists below. Click the ? icon for more information.

* Organization

* Campus

TIP: If you cannot locate your Org/Campus in the dropdown try the Advanced Search below.
If you still can't find your Org/Campus. Choose "Other" above and please submit a help ticket on the next page AFTER:

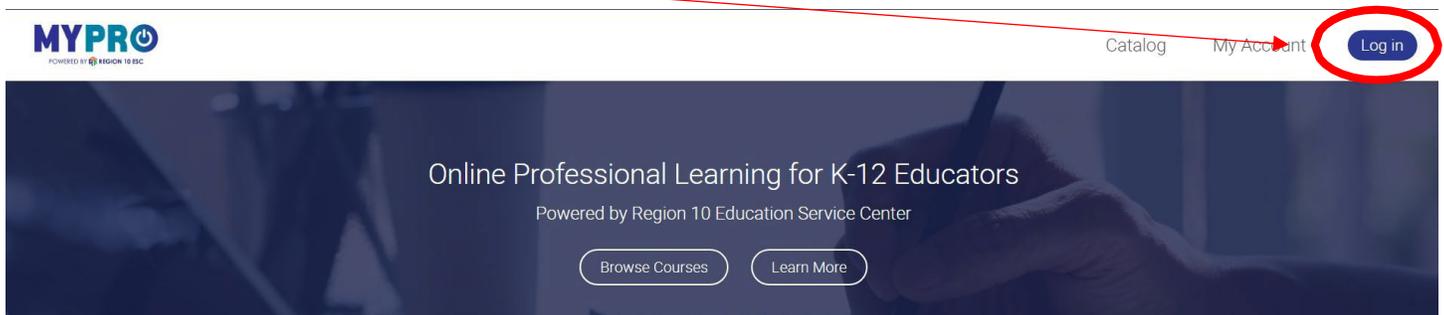
Near the bottom of the account creation form, click on the All Texas Campuses box, select the school district that your child attends and then select the campus.

Click Create Account

You will receive an email at the email address that you provided while creating the account. Please log into your email and click the link to verify your account. If you can't find it in your primary inbox, please check your Junk and Spam folders.

Login in to your account

Click the Login in button at the top right corner of the screen.



On your home page, click the Catalog icon in the menu on the right side of the screen.

On the My Professional Learning Catalog page, scroll to the bottom, and click on the Special Populations tile.

The screenshot shows a 'Catalog' page with several course category tiles. The tiles are:

- Early Childhood Services** (Green): This category contains courses for early childhood educators and Head Start/Early Head Start educators. 6 courses.
- Exclusive District Courses** (Purple): 8 courses.
- Index of Courses** (Green): This list contains all published courses in alphabetical order. 425 courses.
- Microlearning Courses** (Red): This category consists of courses tailored for busy educators who need to learn bite-sized chunks of information in the shortest time possible. Each course is designed to deliver content in only 15 to 30 minutes. 56 courses.
- Region 10 ESC Staff Only** (Blue): This category contains internal training for staff members of Region 10 ESC. 16 courses.
- Special Populations** (Purple, circled in red): 44 courses.
- Teaching & Learning Practices** (Purple): Bilingual/ESL, classroom management, literacy, special education and teaching practices are just a few of the topics in the Teaching and Learning category. Find courses developed by our expert consultants at Region 10 ESC as well as industry-leading third-party providers. 296 courses.

The screenshot shows the 'Special Populations' course page. It features a sidebar with navigation options and a main area with subcategories and course tiles. The subcategories are:

- Special Populations Courses - CPE Courses
- Special Populations Resources - 0 Credits
- Special Populations - 3rd Party Content Courses

The course tiles include:

- Capacidades para padres (Identificación de la cultura hispanica...)
- Surrogate Parent Training (This training meets the standards established by the Texas Education Agency to serve as a surrogate or foster parent of a student receiving special education services.)
- Take Your Own (This course is for staff members employed by a school or charter school who are not T-1.)

On this page, click on the Surrogate Parent Training Tile

The screenshot shows the 'Surrogate Parent Training' course page. The course title is 'Surrogate Parent Training' and it is a 'Course'. The page includes an 'About' section with the following text:

This training meets the standards established by the Texas Education Agency to serve as a surrogate or foster parent of a student receiving special education services.

Course Contact: Katrina Mathis
katrina.mathis@region10.org

CPE: 0

This course may only be taken one (1) time for credit. The course Certificate of Completion will only show the original date of completion.

The 'Info' section shows:

- Style: Self-paced
- Module: 5
- Certificate awarded
- Category: Special Populations, Special Populations Resources - 0 Credits

A red arrow points to the 'Enroll' button, which is labeled 'Click Enroll'.

You are now enrolled in the course and can begin the training modules by clicking on the Start button on the Welcome Module

The screenshot shows a course dashboard with a blue sidebar on the left containing navigation options: Start, Resources, Shortcuts, HOME, CATALOG, and HELP DESK. The main content area is titled 'Modules' and displays five module cards in a row. The first card, 'Welcome Module', is active and shows a 'Start' button. The other four cards, 'Section 1- Surrogate and Foster Parent Training', 'Section 2- Surrogate and Foster Parent Training', 'Section 3- Surrogate and Foster Parent Training', and 'Section 4- Surrogate and Foster Parent Training', are all locked with a padlock icon. A red arrow points from the text above to the 'Start' button on the Welcome Module card. On the right side of the dashboard, there is a 'Progress' section with a 0% progress indicator, an 'Announcements' section with 'None', a 'Status' section showing 'unenroll' and 'Enrolled: Sep 14, 2021', a 'Course Facilitator(s)' section listing 'Katrina Mathis' with an email address, and a 'Technical Assistance' section with a list of common issues.

You must complete the modules in order. There are 4 sections and each section has a quiz that must be completed to move to the next session. You must view the video and then complete the quiz in each section. A total of three attempts is allowable per section to obtain mastery. The module will guide you through the progression.

Once you complete the training you will receive a certificate of completion that you can provide to your district and/or other institution as documentation of your completion of the Surrogate and Foster Parent Training.

If you need assistance, please contact

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