



FOSTER PARENT COLLEGE BLENDED PRE-SERVICE CURRICULUM

**A joint effort between the Minnesota Department of Human Services and County Social Services Agencies using the Foster Parent College curriculum.
The Minnesota Child Welfare Training System (MCWTS) has a contract with Foster Parent College to offer their blended Pre-service training to foster parents. It is a blend of online and in-person training.**

Pre-Service Training

The pre-service training blends four classroom sessions and 10 online courses on FosterParentCollege.com (www.fosterparentcollege.com).

Following Meeting I, trainees will view several online courses and then attend Meeting II to discuss content, ask questions, and learn more about caregiving. After Meeting II they will complete more classes online; attend Meeting III; complete more online classes; then reconvene for the final session, Meeting IV.

Trainer:

Trainer: Forrest Mainville
Forrest Mainville worked as a licensing social worker and trainer for Hennepin County Child Protection and Foster Care Licensing for 27 years. In this capacity, they licensed, trained and monitored foster parents in Minneapolis and surrounding suburbs. Their special interest is in making a difference and having a positive impact on LGBTQ youth in the child welfare system. They were selected by the National Association of Social Workers and Lambda Legal in 2009 to be trained to present their LGBTQ Youth Project curriculum. Forrest is currently writing their memoir and sharing their coming out story. In 2018, Forrest was selected to become a compassion trainer. They are presenting workshops on compassion and gender.

Schedule

Meeting I: Orientation and Overview September 10, 2020, 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Classroom Room 237
1. The Child Welfare Team 2. Child Abuse and Neglect 3. Parent-Child Attachment 4. Understanding Behavior in Foster Children	Online Online Online Online
Meeting II: Review of Sessions 1-4 October 8, 2020 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Classroom Room 237
5. Child Development 6. Cultural Issues in Parenting 7. Working Together with Primary Families	Online Online Online
Meeting III: Review of Sessions 5-7 November 5, 2020 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Classroom Room 237
8. Caring for Children Who have Been Sexually Abused 9. Reducing Family Stress 10. Foster Care to Adoption	Online Online Online
Meeting IV: Review of Sessions 8-10 and Wrap-Up December 3, 2020 6:00-9:00 p.m.	Classroom Room 237

Classes will be held in Room 237 of the Anoka County Government Center.

Doors will be open 15 minutes prior to the training start times. **Please use the main entrance across from Wells Fargo Bank.**

To register, or for more information, contact:

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