

MEETING THE EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OF CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE

Judge Paula Brownhill
Clatsop County Juvenile Court

	Questions	Answers
1	What is the child's age and grade level?	
2	What school does the child attend?	
3	When the child was placed in substitute care, what efforts were made to allow the child to remain in his or her school?	
4	How well is the child faring academically?	
5	What are the child's medical, emotional and developmental needs that impact the child's educational performance?	
6	If the child's behavior impacts his or her educational performance, how can we address the behavior issues?	
7	Are the child's school records attached to the case plan?	
8	Is the child on an IEP or Section 504 Plan or does the child need to be evaluated for special education services?	
9	Does the child have an Educational Surrogate? If not, does the child need one?	
10	Does DHS need an order for access to the child's educational records?	

11	Are there education support services that will help the child be successful in school?	
12	What assistance, if any, does the child need to graduate from high school?	
13	If the child will not graduate from high school, has he or she obtained a GED? If not, what assistance does the child need to obtain a GED? What is the timeline?	
14	Does the child want to go to college? If so, what assistance does the child need to enroll and pay for school?	
15	What else does this child need to achieve his or her educational and/or vocational goals?	