# 2024 New CASA Volunteer Advocate Training Dates



CASA OF THE SOUTH PLAINS, INC.

# EVERY CHILD HAS A CHANCE-IT'S YOU.

### **Session 1**

\*42 hours: 28 hrs class time, 13 hrs independent study, 1 hr court observation

Swearing In:	March 13	11:30 a.m.
Saturday	March 9 (7 & 8)	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Saturday	March 2 (5 & 6)	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Saturday	February 24 (3 & 4)	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Saturday	February 17 (1 & 2)	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m

# **Session 2 (Accelerated Course)**

\*42 hours: 17.5 hrs class time, 23.5 hrs independent study, 1 hr court observation

Thursday	March 28 (1 & 2)	8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Thursday	April 4 (3 & 4)	8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Thursday	April 11 (5 & 6)	8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Thursday	April 18 (7 & 8)	8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Thursday	April 25	8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Swearing In:	May 1	11:30 a.m.

## **Session 3 (Accelerated Course)**

\*42 hours: 20 hrs class time, 21 hrs independent study, 1 hr court observation

Tuesday	May 7 (1 & 2)	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	May 14 (3 & 4)	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	May 21 (5 & 6)	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	May 28 (7 & 8)	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	June 4	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Swearing In:	June 13	11:30 a.m.

### Session 4

\*42 hours: 28 hrs class time, 13 hrs independent study, 1 hr court observation

Swearing In:	July 17	11:30 a.m.
Tuesday	July 9 (7 & 8)	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Tuesday	July 2 (5 & 6)	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Tuesday	June 25 (3 & 4)	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m
Tuesday	June 18 (1 & 2)	9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m

# Why Get Involved with CASA?

CASA is the only volunteer-based agency with a legal role, provided through court appointment, to advocate for children who are in the foster care system. Every single child we serve has been placed in foster care due to abuse or neglect. You can help make sure children in our community do not face the chaos of foster care alone and ensure they have the support of a CASA Volunteer who will represent their best interest.

# THE CASA IMPACT!

- ▶ 415 children received the gift of a CASA and advocacy services from CASA of the South Plains in 2022.
- ➤ 255 CASA Volunteers donated a total of 5,258 hours in 2022, saving county taxpayers \$289,190 in county paid attorneys' fees.
- ▶ 122 youth in foster care found a loving and permanent home with the help of their CASA Volunteer in 2022.
- ▶ 92% of the school age children in foster care served by CASA Volunteers advanced to the next grade level.

# **Hear from CASA Supporters!**

"If it weren't for CASA and the CFE tools we have, Lucas would have gone on thinking he had no one out there. Thankfully now he knows his family, he speaks to them, he thinks of them, and he can't wait to reunite with them."

- Jessie, Current CASA Volunteer

"I need a CASA for every kid I have in care. CASA provides information I am normally not able to receive from any other source. The CASA role is very critical so that I see both sides of the coin, what the child wants but also what's best for the child."

– Judge Kara L. Darnell, South Plains Foster Care Court

To learn more about volunteer requirements, or to register for an upcoming training session please call (806) 763-2272 or email <a href="mailto:info@casaofthesouthplains.org">info@casaofthesouthplains.org</a>.

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# **Session 5 (Accelerated Course)**

\*42 hours: 20 hrs class time, 21 hrs independent study, 1 hr court observation

Monday	July 22 (1 & 2)	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Monday	July 29 (3 & 4)	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Monday	August 5 (5 & 6)	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Monday	August 12 (7 & 8)	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Monday	August 19	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Swearing In:	August 29	11:30 a.m.

### Session 6

\*42 hours: 29.25 hrs class time, 11.75 hrs independent study, 1 hr court observation

Swearing In:	October 9	11:30 a.m.
Tuesday	October 1	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.
Thursday	September 26 (8)	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.
Tuesday	September 24 (7)	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.
Thursday	September 19 (6)	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.
Tuesday	September 17 (5)	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.
Thursday	September 12 (4)	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.
Tuesday	September 10 (3)	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.
Thursday	September 5 (2)	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.
Tuesday	September 3 (1)	5:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.

# **Session 7 (Accelerated Course in Hockley)**

\*42 hours: 20 hrs class time, 21 hrs independent study, 1 hr court observation

Tuesday	October 15 (1 & 2)	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	October 22 (3 & 4)	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	October 29 (5 & 6)	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	November 5 (7 & 8)	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Tuesday	November 12	4:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Swearing In:	November 18	11:30 a.m.