

FAF Leadership Path

The goal of Families as Faculty is to create a generation of teachers and medical providers who are better prepared to work with children with special needs and their families. In this program, students visit with a family who has a child with special education or medical needs. This experience provides the Post Secondary education students with a unique opportunity to gain a broader and deeper understanding of the daily realities families who have children with special needs face navigating the education and health care systems.

The leadership path below offers several opportunities for host families to make a difference in changing systems that work with children by sharing personal experiences with the special education and medical systems. Host families have the option of becoming Family Faculty which brings telling their story to a new level and presenting at a Post Secondary orientation. Each FAF volunteer makes a personal choice to stay at a level or move through the path in a way that works best for them.

Level One - Host Family

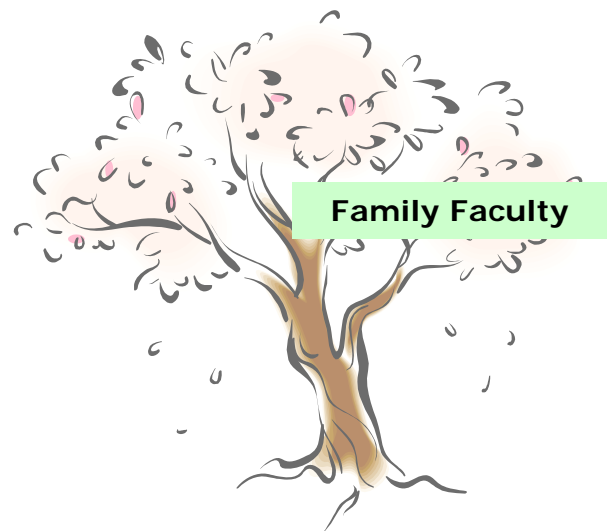
- Attend Host Family 101 workshop which includes (PRO 101, Telling Your Story)
- Complete Getting to Know You Form
- Host students (Med/Ed/OT/Nursing) at least once a year
- Complete and return student evaluation, Just a Note and stipend, in a timely way

Level Two - Family Faculty

- Attend Host Family 201 workshop
- Attend Pro 101 workshop
- Host for at least one year
- Observe an orientation and wrap up session in which they Do Not host students.
- Create PowerPoint story for use in student orientation in collaboration with FAF Coordinator
- Present at least once/semester with FAF staff
- Advisory Board member (if possible)
- Host Family 102 (Refresher Course)

Level Three - Family Faculty Facilitator

- Present at student orientation independently
- Facilitate student wrap up independently
- Attend other PRO project/program workshops (PTI, DC, PIRC, F2FHIC)
- Present Host Family 101 independently
- Arrange Host Families for student
- Get involved with legislative issues



*By ourselves, we are just one voice. As a network, we can become a choir.
Together, we can make our Dreams Take Flight*