CASA
Court Appointed Special Advocates
FOR CHILDREN
CASA OF COLLIN COUNTY

WINTER 2027 TRAINING

PRE-SERVICE TRAINING CALENDAR

Classes are live & in-person at CASA's McKinney offices

1.	**LIVE** Thur. Jan. 21	6:00 – 9:00 p.m.	**CASA's Role** *U.S. History of Child Protection Laws*
2.	**LIVE** Tues. Jan. 26	6:00 – 9:00 p.m.	**Best Interest & Risk Assessment** *w/ Advocate Speakers Panel*
3.	**LIVE** Thurs. Jan. 28	6:00 – 9:00 p.m.	**Child Protection** *& Foster Licensing Agencies*
4.	**LIVE** Tues. Feb. 2	6:00 – 9:00 p.m.	**Families** *Engaging Through a Strength's-Based Lens*
5.	**LIVE** Thurs. Feb. 4	6:00 – 9:00 p.m.	**Gathering Information** *Brown Case Study w/ CASA Staff*
6.	**LIVE** Tues. Feb. 9	6:00 – 9:00 p.m.	**Identifying Connections** *Tools to Recover Healthy Relationships*
7.	**LIVE** Thur. Feb. 11	6:00 – 9:00 p.m.	**Medical & Educational Advocacy**
8.	**LIVE** Tue. Feb. 16	6:00 – 9:00 p.m.	**Court Hearing Preparation** *w/ Attorney Speakers Panel*
9.	**LIVE** Thur. Feb. 18	6:00 – 9:00 p.m.	**Putting it All Together** *Practical Application of Skills in the Field*
10.	**ZOOM** (Date & link TBA)	12:00 -12:15 p.m.	**Swearing In** - *CASA Oath given by Judge via Zoom*

CASA HOMEWORK

(4) CASA Training Module Assignments (assigned throughout class & website password provided)
(1) Practice Contact Log Entry in Optima Training Database – (assigned in week 3)
(1) Collin County Courtroom Observation (staff guided – available dates announced during class & offered via Signup Genius)
(3) 1-hr Sexual Abuse Awareness Prevention Online Modules - (*registration to Praesidium Academy assigned week 4)*

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