

## WHO IS A CASA VOLUNTEER?

My name is \_\_\_\_\_ . I have been assigned by the court to be your child's CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate). I am an unpaid volunteer. I do this work because I care about children and families and I want to help.

I am not a CYS caseworker and the CASA program is not part of CYS. However, I will talk to your caseworker to get background information about your child's situation. I will also talk to you, other family members, teachers, and anyone else who is important to your child. After I have gathered information, I will write a report for the judge or master, recommending what I believe is in your child's best interest. Nothing in my report will be kept secret from you. You (or your attorney) will receive a copy of my report.

Please be open with me about anything important in your child's life. You may be the best source of information I will have to help me understand what is best for your child. If you wish to contact me, feel free to leave me a message at the CASA office. The number there is 724-228-0414.