

# FAIR

Fairness,  
Advocacy, &  
Individualized  
Representation



**GEORGIA APPLESEED™**  
*Center for Law & Justice*

## ABOUT US

Georgia Appleseed has partnered with community organizations, Juvenile Courts across the state, and the Division of Family and Children Services (DFCS) to grow the community of advocates for children facing barriers to education.

Through the FAIR Project, we train parents, guardians, case managers, foster parents, juvenile court personnel, and other community members to advocate for children facing long term removal from school for disciplinary issues. All children deserve an advocate when faced with harsh practices that could have extreme consequences on their education and overall well-being.



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Referral form at:  
[www.DisciplineHelp.org](http://www.DisciplineHelp.org)



## OUR SERVICES

### Trainings and Resources

Georgia Appleseed provides virtual and in-person trainings, online courses at [www.TribunalHelp.org](http://www.TribunalHelp.org), and develops and distributes written resources to give advocates the information and confidence necessary to stand up for children. To request a training, please contact [fair@gaappleseed.org](mailto:fair@gaappleseed.org).

### School Tribunal Referrals

Georgia Appleseed provides additional support for students who are facing removal from school for a period of more than ten days. In these cases, students are entitled to a school disciplinary hearing (often called a “tribunal”), which can be an overwhelming experience for the child and their guardians. If you have a child who is facing a school tribunal, please fill out our referral form at [www.DisciplineHelp.org](http://www.DisciplineHelp.org) to receive Community Advocacy Support (CAS) for the child.

### Community Advocacy Support

After we receive your referral, Georgia Appleseed will link you with an advocate who will provide Community Advocacy Support (CAS). Through CAS, you will get step-by-step guidance on what to expect in the school tribunal process, and how to strategize and prepare for the child’s case. For CAS to be effective, it is critical that you remain involved and responsive to the advocate providing support.

### Direct Legal Representation

In some complex cases, Georgia Appleseed matches the child with an attorney who will represent the child at the school tribunal. In this case, the attorney will contact you to schedule the intake process and a meeting with the child. To effectively represent the child, the attorney relies on your knowledge of the child’s case and your expertise. Please remain involved and responsive to the attorney.