

Bristol Palin Is Far from in a Class by Herself

Teenagers give birth to about one in every ten babies born in the United States. According to the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy, less than half (40 percent) graduate high school. The Guttmacher Institute reports that even fewer teen mothers are likely to attend college, regardless of their academic record or potential, than child-free women their age.

As the daughter of a teen mother who was forced to give up her dream of going to college, **Sherrill W. Mosee** grew up aware of the value of an education. She watched her mom struggle to provide her children with food, clothing and medical care. As a young woman, she not only went to college but earned her master's degree in electrical engineering—three days before becoming a mom herself. When her stepdaughter became pregnant during her first year of college, Sherrill got seized with a mission. Inspired by her work as an advocate for student-parents, *Professor, May I Bring My Baby to Class?* (FCS Books) is a practical and motivational guide to help teen mothers stay in school, graduate and pursue their college dream—and prevent young mothers in college from dropping out of school.

Along with a wealth of information and resources, Sherrill offers her readers plenty of space for self-exploration and goal setting in journal pages. To persuade young women with babies to pursue their higher education goals, despite the obstacles, she shares the real-life stories of young mothers who did it. As women like Talia, Deneisha, Roslinda and over a dozen others make clear, any woman with determination can overcome the worst—poverty, homelessness, domestic abuse—to succeed as a student-parent and give herself and her children a chance for a brighter future. Among many life-changing topics for teen moms, Sherrill Mosee can discuss:

- Choosing a college with child care support services (over 1,700 child care centers are located on college campuses across the country)
- Surviving the transition of becoming a student to student-parent
- Building an on-campus network of support, including professors who welcome babies in their classrooms
- Scheduling time for everything—study, baby and mommy (yes, “me” time, too).
- Innovative ideas for engaging your child in your educational experience.

Founder and president of Family Care Solutions, Inc., a nonprofit organization based in Philadelphia, **Sherrill W. Mosee** is eager to share the encouraging news in *Professor, May I Bring My Baby to Class?* with teen moms of all backgrounds and circumstances.

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