SPECIAL NEEDS BUDDY MINISTRY

At Mission Hills we believe all children are created by God with a desire to learn and grow a heart for Jesus through faith-filled inclusion. We strive to engage every child with God's Word, encourage healthy relationships with peers, and use Biblical truths as the foundation for our Buddy Ministry.

Children (birth - 5th grade) who need extra assistance will be matched with a "Buddy," a specially-trained serve member who will get to know you and your child personally and provide needed assistance in class. Our goal is for you and your child to experience faith-filled, authentic inclusion.

If you are interested in requesting a Buddy:

- 1. Contact our Buddy Coordinator Whitney Sarnowski at <u>buddyministry@missionhills.org</u>
- 2. Fill out and submit an intake form: missionhills.org/buddy-intake-form/
- 3. We will set up a phone call to orient you to our Buddy process.
- 4. Develop a personal care plan for your Buddy to follow.

We will then begin the process of matching a Buddy to your child. We desire to have a God-inspired match between the two, so this may take some time.