Kate Garzón, M.Ed., is a "GPS" for the parents of toddlers through teens! A parent educator and parenting coach who helps parents solve frustrating behaviors - *and* raise great humans - by focusing on *relationship-building*, *understanding development*, and *skill-building*. She is the founder of Guided Parenting Support – GPS®; an author; keynote speaker; frequent podcast guest; creator of on-demand parenting classes; workshop and seminar facilitator; and has worked with thousands of children and families to help raise the next generation of healthy, aware, compassionate, responsible, and successful adults!

She is a firm believer that every parent does their very best - every day - and she helps loving parents to understand their children's and teens' behaviors by making connections between **who** they are developmentally and **how** they experience the world. Using a compassionate, non-judgmental approach, Kate guides parents in building better relationships and implementing realistic strategies to support their kids' healthy development and long-term success... **and** to make parenting easier in the process!

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