PARENTAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

A. School Responsibilities

When parents of a student are estranged, separated, or divorced, all personnel will respect the parental rights of both parents. Unless there is a court order to the contrary, both parents have the right to:

1. view the child’s school records in accordance with Policy JO, Student Records;
2. receive school progress reports, the school calendar, and notices of major school events;
3. visit the school in accordance with Policies KK, School Visitors, KN, Sex Offender Registry Notification, and KNA, Violent Sex Offenders on School Property;
4. participate in parent-teacher conferences and meetings—-in the case of the noncustodial parent, after a timely request is made;
5. receive all notifications in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; and
6. receive notice of the student’s extended absence, as defined in and pursuant to Policy JED, Student Absences/Excuses/Dismissals, if both parents have joint physical custody.

B. Parent Responsibilities

The custodial parent has the responsibility to:

1. keep the school office informed of the parent’s address and phone number and how he/she may be contacted at all times;
2. provide the current address and phone number of the non-custodial parent at registration unless such address is unknown and the parent signs a statement to that effect, or unless a court order restricts the educational or contact rights of the noncustodial parent; and
3. provide a copy of any legal document which restricts the educational and/or contact rights of the noncustodial parent.

The noncustodial parent has the responsibility to keep the school office apprised of changes in his or her current address and phone number. Further, the noncustodial parent may make timely requests to participate in parent-teacher conferences and meetings. At the request of a noncustodial parent, such parent will be included as an emergency contact for the student’s activities unless a court order has been issued to the contrary.

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