

PARENTAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:
ESTRANGEMENT, SEPARTION AND DIVORCE

A. When parents of a student are estranged, separated, or divorced, building personnel will uphold 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;
 2. receive school progress reports, the school calendar, and notices of major school events;
 3. visit the school in accordance with Policy KK;
 4. participate in parent-teacher conferences; in the case of the non-custodial 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,
- both parents have joint physical custody.

B. Parent Responsibilities

The custodial parent has the responsibility to:

1. keep the school office informed as to the address of residence and how he or she may be contacted at all times;
2. on the Allegheny County Schools registration form, list the current address and phone number of the non-custodial parent, 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 parent; and
3. provide a copy of any legal document which restricts the educational and/or contact rights of the non-custodial parent.

The non-custodial parent has the responsibility to keep the school office apprised of changes in his or her current phone number and address. Further, the non-custodial parent may make timely requests to participate in parent-teacher conferences. At the request of a non-custodial 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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Legal Refs: 20 U.S.C. §1232(g)

34 C.F.R. § 99.1 *et seq.*

Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 22.1-3, 22.1-4.3, 22.1-78, 22.1-279.4, 22.1-287. *et seq*

Cross Refs: JED Student Absences/Excuses/Dismissals

JO Student Records

KK School Visitors

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