

**PARENTAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- A. 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; 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 his address and how he or she may be contacted at all times;
2. provide the current address and phone number of the noncustodial 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 phone number and address. Further, the noncustodial parent may make timely requests to participate in parent-teacher conferences. 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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**Legal Refs:**

20 U.S.C. §1232g.

34 C.F.R. § 99.4.

Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 22.1-4.3, 22.1-78, 22.1-287.

**Cross Refs:**

JED Student Absences/Excuses/Dismissals

JO Student Records

KK School Visitors

KN Sex Offender Registry Notification

KNA Violent Sex Offenders on School Property