

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE _____ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR _____ COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No: _____
Division: _____

Petitioner,

and

Respondent.

BASIC PARENTING PLAN (BRIEF VERSION)

This parenting plan is: (Choose only one.)

- A Parenting Plan submitted to the court with the agreement of the parties.
- A Final Parenting Plan ordered by the court.
- A temporary Parenting Plan ordered by the court.
- A Modification of a prior Final Parenting Plan or prior final order.

I. CHILDREN: This parenting plan is for the following child(ren) born to, or adopted by the parties:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Birth</u>	<u>Sex</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

II. JURISDICTION

The United States is the country of habitual residence of the child(ren).

The State of Florida maintains the most significant contacts with the child(ren) and is the most appropriate forum for addressing parenting contact and time-sharing.

The State of Florida is the child(ren)'s home state for the purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act.

This Parenting Plan is a child custody determination for the purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, the International Child Abduction Remedies Act, 42 U.S.C. ss 11601 et seq., the Parental Kidnapping Prevention Act, and the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction enacted at the Hague on October 25, 1980.

III. PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY AND DECISION MAKING

1. Parental Responsibility (Choose only one)

Shared Parental Responsibility.

It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that the parties have full parental rights to make major decisions affecting the welfare of the child(ren). Major decisions include, but are not limited to, decisions about the child(ren)'s education, non-emergency healthcare, and religious training.

The major decisions regarding the child(ren) are shared between the Mother and Father as follows:

Education/Academic decisions	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Both
Non-emergency health care	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Both
Extra-curricular activities	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Both
Religion/Religious Training	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Both
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Father	<input type="checkbox"/> Both

OR

Sole Parental Responsibility:

It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that the Mother Father shall have sole authority to make major decisions for the child(ren.)

2. **Day-to-Day Decisions**

Each parent shall make decisions regarding day-to-day care and control of each child while the child is residing with the parent. Regardless of the allocation of decision making in the parenting plan, either parent may make emergency decisions affecting the health or safety of the child(ren) when the child is residing with that parent. A parent who makes an emergency decision shall share the decision with the other parent as soon as reasonably possible.

IV. INFORMATION SHARING.

Each parent has a continuing responsibility to provide a residential, mailing, or contact address and contact telephone number to the other parent. Each parent shall notify the other parent in writing within 24 hours of any changes.

Both parents shall have access to medical and school records pertaining to the child(ren) and shall be permitted to independently consult with any and all professionals involved with the child(ren). The parents shall cooperate with each other in sharing information related to the health, education, and welfare of the child(ren) and they shall sign any necessary documentation ensuring that both parents have access to said records.

Each parent shall be responsible for obtaining records and reports directly from the school and health care providers.

Both parents have equal rights to inspect and receive governmental agency and law enforcement records concerning the child(ren).

Both parents shall have equal and independent authority to confer with the child(ren)'s school, day care, health care providers, and other programs with regard to the child(ren)'s educational, emotional, and social progress.

Both parents shall be listed as "emergency contacts" for the child(ren).

Other: _____

V. TIME SHARING SCHEDULE

1. Weekday and Weekend Schedule

The following schedule shall apply beginning _____.

The first weekend shall be with the Mother Father.

A. The child(ren) shall spend time with the _____ on the following dates and times:

WEEKENDS: Every Every Other Other (specify) _____

From _____ to _____.

WEEKDAYS: Specify days _____

From _____ to _____.

OTHER: (Specify) _____

B. The child(ren) shall spend time with the other parent at all other times except as herein provided.

2. Holiday Schedule (Choose only one)

No holiday time sharing shall apply. The regular time-sharing schedule set forth above shall apply.

Holiday time-sharing shall be as the parties agree.

Holiday time-sharing shall be in accordance with the following schedule. The Holiday schedule will take priority over the regular weekday, weekend, and summer schedules. Fill in the blanks with "M" (for Mother) or "F" (for Father) to indicate where the child(ren) will be for the holidays. Provide the beginning and ending times. If a holiday is not specified as even, odd, or every year with one parent, then the child(ren) will remain with the parent in accordance with the regular schedule

<u>Holidays</u>	<u>Even Years</u>	<u>Odd Years</u>	<u>Every Year</u>	<u>Begin/End Time</u>
Mother's Day	_____	_____	_____	_____
Father's Day	_____	_____	_____	_____
Easter	_____	_____	_____	_____
Passover	_____	_____	_____	_____
Memorial Day Weekend	_____	_____	_____	_____
4 th of July	_____	_____	_____	_____
Labor Day Weekend	_____	_____	_____	_____
Thanksgiving	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hanukkah	_____	_____	_____	_____
Yom Kippur	_____	_____	_____	_____
Rosh Hashanah	_____	_____	_____	_____
Child(ren)'s Birthdays	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

This holiday schedule may affect the regular Time-Sharing Schedule. Parents may wish to specify one or more of the following options:

- When the parents are using an alternating weekend plan and the holiday schedule would result in one parent having the child(ren) for three weekends in a row, the alternating weekend pattern will restart so that neither parent will go without having the child(ren) for more than two weekends in a row.
- If a parent has the child(ren) on a weekend with an unspecified holiday or non-school day, they shall have the child(ren) for the holiday or non-school day.

3. Winter Break (Choose only one)

- The Mother Father shall have the child(ren) from the day and time school is dismissed until December _____ at ____ a.m./p. m in odd-numbered years even-numbered years every year. The other parent will have the children for the second one-half of the Winter Break. The parties shall alternative the arrangement each year.
- The Mother Father shall have the child(ren) for the entire Winter Break during odd-numbered years even-numbered years every year.
- Other: _____

4. Spring Break (Choose only one)

- The parents shall follow the regular schedule.
- The parents shall alternative the entire Spring Break with the Mother having the child(ren) during the odd-numbered years even numbered years.
- The Father Mother shall have the child(ren) for the entire Spring Break every year.
- The Spring Break will be evenly divided. The first half of the spring Break will go to the parent whose regularly scheduled weekend falls on the first half and the second half going to the parent whose weekend falls during the second half.
- Other:_____.

5. Summer Break (Choose only one)

- The parents shall follow the regular schedule through the summer.
- The Mother Father shall have the entire Summer Break from _____ after school is out until _____ before school starts.
- The parents shall equally divide the Summer Break. During odd-numbered years even numbered years, the Mother Father shall have the children from _____ after school is out until _____. The other parent shall have the child(ren) for the second one-half of the summer break. The parents shall alternative the first and second one-halves each year unless otherwise agreed. During the extended periods of time-sharing, the other parent shall have the child(ren) _____.
- Other:_____.

VI. TRANSPORTATION AND EXCHANGE OF CHILD(REN)

1. Transportation (Choose only one)

- The Mother Father shall provide all transportation.

The parent beginning their time-sharing shall provide transportation for the child(ren).

Other: _____.

2. Exchange (Choose only one)

Both parents shall have the child(ren) ready on time with sufficient clothing packed and ready at the agreed upon time of exchange. If a parent is more than _____ minutes late without contacting the other parent to make other arrangements, the parent with the child(ren) may proceed with other plans and activities.

Exchanges shall be at Mother's and Father's homes unless both parents agree to a different meeting place.

Exchanges shall occur at _____
_____ unless both parties agree in advance to a different meeting place.

Other: _____.

3. Transportation Costs (Choose only one)

Transportation costs are included in the Child Support Worksheets and/or the Order for Child Support and should not be included here.

The Mother shall pay _____% and the Father shall pay _____ % of the transportation costs.

Other: _____.

VII. SCHOOL DESIGNATION

For school and school district purposes, the Mother Father's address shall be designated.

VIII. DESIGNATION OF CUSTODIAN FOR OTHER LEGAL PURPOSES

The child(ren) named in this Parenting Plan are scheduled to reside the majority of the time with the Mother Father. This parent is designated as the custodian of the child(ren) SOLELY for purposes of all other state and federal statutes which require a designation or determination of custody. **This designation does not affect either parent's rights and responsibilities under this parenting plan.**

IX. COMMUNICATION

1. Between Parents

All communications regarding the child(ren) shall be between the parents. The parents shall not use the child(ren) as messengers to convey information, ask questions, or set up schedule changes.

The parents shall communicate with each other by:

- in person
- by telephone
- by letter
- by e-mail
- Other:_____.

2. Between Parent and Child(ren)

Both parents shall keep contact information current. Telephone or other electronic communication shall not be monitored by or interrupted by the other parent. "Electronic communication" includes telephones, electronic mail or e-mail, webcams, video-conferencing equipment and software or other wired or wireless technologies or other means of communication to supplement face-to face contact.

The child(ren) may have telephone e-mail other electronic communication in the form of _____ with the other parent:

- Anytime
- Everyday during the hours of _____ to _____.
- On the following days _____ during the hours of _____ to _____.
- Other:_____.

X. CHILD CARE (Choose only one)

- Each parent may select appropriate child care providers
- All child care providers must be agreed upon by both parents.
- Each parent must offer the other parent the opportunity to care for the child(ren) before using a child care provider for any period exceeding _____ hours.
- Other _____.

XII. CHANGES OR MODIFICATIONS OF THE PARENTING PLAN

This Parenting Plan may be modified or varied on a temporary basis when both parents agree in writing. When the parents do not agree, the Parenting Plan remains in effect. Any substantial changes to the Parenting Plan must be sought through the filing of a supplemental petition for modification, subject to any mediation or dispute resolution requirements set forth in Section XIV below.

XIII. RELOCATION

Any relocation that results in a change of the child(ren)'s principal residence of more than 50 miles is subject to and must be sought in compliance with s. 61.13001, Fla. Stat.

XIV. DISPUTES

Parents shall attempt to cooperatively resolve any disputes which may arise over the terms of the Parenting Plan. If such attempt fails (Choose only one):

- The parents shall use mediation or other dispute resolution methods before filing a court action.
- Mediation or other dispute resolution methods will *not* be required prior to filing a court action.

XV. OTHER PROVISIONS

_____.

SIGNATURE OF PARENTS

I certify that I have been open and honest in entering into this Parenting Plan. I am satisfied with this Plan and intend to be bound by it.

Dated: _____

Signature of Father

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

Email: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF _____.

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk]

___ Personally known

___ Produced identification. Type of identification produced _____.

I certify that I have been open and honest in entering into this Parenting Plan. I am satisfied with this Plan and intend to be bound by it.

Dated: _____

Signature of Mother

Printed Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

Email: _____

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF _____.

Sworn to or affirmed and signed before me on _____ by _____.

NOTARY PUBLIC or DEPUTY CLERK

[Print, type, or stamp commissioned name of notary or clerk]

Personally known

Produced identification. Type of identification produced _____.

ORDER OF THE COURT

It is ordered and adjudged that the Parenting Plan set forth above is adopted and approved as an order of this court.

ORDERED ON _____.

CIRCUIT JUDGE

COPIES TO:

Father (or his Attorney)

Mother (or her Attorney)