Students

Noncustodial Parents

Noncustodial parents generally retain the same rights as custodial parents unless a court order restricts the rights of the noncustodial parent. These rights include but are not limited to

accessing his/her child's student records, participating in school activities and visiting the child at school. If a completed or pending legal action curtails the noncustodial parent's rights, the parent/guardian with custody shall provide evidence of this action to the Superintendent or designee.

(cf. 5125 - Student Records)(cf. 5142 - Safety)(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

Upon request, the district may provide noncustodial parents with announcements and notices that are sent to the custodial parent.

When approved by the principal, both parents can visit the child at school, but only the custodial parent has the right to remove the child from school property. Only a verified note or an emergency card from the custodial parent will be cause for exception to this provision. Valid court order regarding the rights of the noncustodial may be recognized by the principal. If a conflict exists, the principal may seek the assistance of local law enforcement officials.

(cf. 5141 - Health Care and Emergencies)

In the event of an attempted violation of a court order that restricts access to a student, staff shall contact the custodial parent and local law enforcement officials and shall make the student available only after one or both of these parties consent.

Legal Reference: EDUCATION CODE 49061 Definitions 49069 Absolute right to access FAMILY CODE 3025 Parental access to records

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