

## STUDENTS

### Child Custody

In the absence of information to the contrary, the person who enrolls a student in school is the residential parent of the student. The residential parent is responsible for decisions regarding the day-to-day care and control of the student. Parents, guardians, or defacto parents have the right to receive information contained in the school records concerning their child.

Unless informed otherwise, staff shall assume that there are no restrictions regarding the nonresidential parent's right to be kept informed of the student's school progress and activities. If restrictions are made relative to the above rights, the residential parent will be requested to submit a certified copy of the court order and or parenting plan which curtails these rights. If these rights are questioned by the nonresidential parent, the parent will be referred to law enforcement authorities for resolution.

Unless there are court-imposed restrictions, the nonresidential parent, upon request, will be given grade reports, notices of school activities, reports of disciplinary actions, or notices of teacher or principal conferences or summaries.

No student shall be released to anyone, or have non-parental visitors during school hours without the approval of a non-restricted parent/guardian, or an appropriate public authority. Any release of students must remain in compliance with current parenting plans and or court orders.

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#### **Cross References:**

- cf. 2420 Grading and progress reports
- cf. 3124 Removal/Release of students during school hours
- cf. 3231 Student Records
- cf. 4200 Safe and Orderly Learning Environment
- cf. 4310 Relations with the Law Enforcement, Fire Department, Child Protective Agencies, and County Health Department

#### **Legal References:**

- CFR 45, Part 99 Family Education Rights and Privacy Act
- RCW 26.09.184 Permanent Parenting plan;
- RCW 26.09.225 Access to child's education and health care records
- RCW 13.34.200 Order terminating parent and child relationship – Rights of parties when granted

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