

Appendix Form 3

Parenting Time Schedule

The ("custodial parent") shall have legal and physical custody of the minor child(ren) and the ("noncustodial parent") shall have the right to exercise reasonable parenting time. Except for good cause shown, the default 10 day/4 day parenting schedule will not constitute a basis for use of a joint physical custody calculation in determining child support.

The noncustodial parent should be allowed reasonable parenting time with the parties' child(ren) that, at a minimum, includes the following:

A. **10 day/4 day parenting:** Commencing _____, 20__, every other week beginning on Thursday at 4:30 p.m. (or the conclusion of school or school activities, whichever is later) until the following Monday at 8:00 a.m. (or the commencement of the school day, whichever is earlier.

B. In odd-numbered years:

1. **Easter(Spring Break):** This holiday shall include that period of time during which the children are excused from school before the Easter holiday, including Easter Sunday, and shall commence at 6:00 p.m. on the day the children are released from school and conclude at 7:00 p.m. on the day before the children return to school.

2. **Thanksgiving:** This holiday shall be defined as that period of time during which the children are excused from school for the Thanksgiving holiday, including Thanksgiving day, and shall commence at 6:00 p.m. on the day the children are released from school and conclude at 7:00 p.m. on the day before the children return to school.

3. **New Year's Day:** This holiday period shall commence at noon on December 27 and conclude at 7:00 p.m. on the day before school is to begin.

4. **The children's birthdays,** from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

5. **July 4th:** This holiday shall commence at 9:00 a.m. on the 4th of July and end at 9:00 a.m. on the 5th of July.

C. In even-numbered years:

1. **Memorial Day Weekend:** This holiday shall include only that weekend when Memorial Day is nationally recognized and shall commence at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and conclude at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, Memorial Day.

2. **Labor Day Weekend:** This holiday shall include only that weekend on which Labor Day is nationally recognized and shall commence at 6:00 p.m. on Friday and conclude at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, Labor Day.

**This is the parenting time schedule adopted by the Lancaster County District Court. Although not universally applied, it is what the Court applies in many cases when the parents are unable to agree on a Parenting Time Schedule.

3. **Christmas (Winter Break):** This holiday period shall be defined as that time during which the children are excused from school for the Christmas holiday and shall commence at 6:00 p.m. on the day the children are released from school and conclude at noon on December 27.

D. **Father's/Mother's Day:** Every year the father shall have the children on Father's Day and the mother shall have the children on Mother's Day. This holiday shall commence at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 7:00 p.m. on the Sunday on which such holiday is nationally observed. The noncustodial parent is not to be given any substitution for this date.

E. **Parents' birthdays:** Every year the father shall have the children on his birthday and the mother shall have the children on her birthday. This parenting time shall commence at 9:00 a.m. and conclude at 8:00 p.m. on the birthday. The noncustodial parent is not to be given any substitution for this date.

F. **Summer:** Summer is that period beginning at 9:00 a.m. on the 7th day following the last day of school before the summer break and ending at 5:00 p.m. on the 7th day preceding the first day of school in the fall. During the summer, the 10/4 parenting schedule shall be suspended and the noncustodial parent shall have the following periods of parenting time: (a) from 9:00 a.m. on the 21st day following the last day of school for 2 weeks and (b) from 9:00 a.m. on the 21st day prior to the first day of school in the fall for 2 weeks. Each 2-week period shall be uninterrupted. The noncustodial parent shall keep the custodial parent advised where the summer visitation will take place and provide the custodial parent reasonable telephone contact.

G. **Telephone:** The noncustodial parent shall have telephone parenting time with the children Tuesday or Thursday weekly, between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. for a minimum of 30 minutes nightly.

H. **Coordination:** The noncustodial parent shall pick up the children from the custodial parent at the commencement of each parenting time period and return the children to the custodial parent at the conclusion of each parenting time period described herein. The holiday parenting time schedule shall supersede the regular weekend parenting time schedule. Whenever a holiday parenting time period by the noncustodial parent has superseded a regular weekend parenting time period by such parent, the children shall remain with the custodial parent during the first weekend following such holiday parenting time period and the noncustodial parent's regular weekend parenting time schedule shall resume on the second weekend following such holiday schedule and continue thereafter in accordance herewith. Whenever a holiday parenting time period by the custodial parent supersedes a regular weekend parenting time by the noncustodial parent, the first weekend following such holiday parenting time period shall be the noncustodial parent's every other weekend parenting time.

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Appendix Form 4

Parenting Responsibilities and Cooperation

The custodial parent shall have primacy in the choices regarding the children's education, religious upbringing and medical needs. Recognizing, however, the importance that mutual participation and cooperation play in nurturing the children in a stable, loving environment, the custodial parent shall, in an effort to foster this environment, notify the noncustodial parent, at a meaningful time, in advance of any decision regarding enrollment in school, the commencement of participation in religious activities and the commencement of health care involving the children, in order to learn the noncustodial parent's wishes in these matters. The parents shall freely discuss these three areas with one another, in an effort to reach a consensus on these issues. In the event of an impasse, however, the custodial parent shall have the final voice in these matters.

The children's best interests require the utmost cooperation between the parents. To this end, neither parent shall disparage or in any way denigrate the other parent, in any activity or communication involving the children. Neither parent will inquire of the other's personal affairs through the children. Each parent shall cooperate with the other, to the fullest extent necessary, in order to foster and promote a safe, secure and loving environment for the children.

The parents shall keep each other informed of the children's medical, religious, social and educational progress by providing access to school, governmental, law enforcement, medical and health-related records and access to all teachers, government officials and doctors, and each shall execute any releases, waivers or other documents that might be necessary to enable the other to enjoy these rights.

The parents shall inform each other of the children's social and extra-curricular activities, so that each may participate, where possible and appropriate. Each parent has the right to attend parent/teacher conferences, receive school mailings, attend association meetings, receive report cards of the children, meet with school counselors and attend school functions or sessions involving the children.

The parents shall promptly inform and consult with each other, in the event of any medical problem involving the children. If there is an illness or injury involving the children, the parent first learning of the condition shall immediately notify the other. Either parent may authorize medical treatment, in an emergency.

The parents shall cooperate with each other, so that each may receive, at her/his request and expense, copies of all medical and dental records, school and government records, reports of physicians and dentists and any other records that may relate to the children and each shall execute any releases, waivers or other documents that may be necessary to enable the other to enjoy these rights.

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