

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF DOUGLAS COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of:

(Name of Spouse Filing)
and

_____ (Name of Other Spouse)

Case No. DG _____

Division _____

PARENTING PLAN

This Parenting Plan is temporary permanent.

Proposed by Father Proposed by Mother Agreed by Mother and Father Developed by the Court.

After due consideration, the Court enters the following Parenting Plan that serves the child(ren)'s best interests on this _____ day of _____ 20____:

Section I. GENERAL INFORMATION

This parenting plan applies to the following children:

Full Name of Child	Gender	Birth Date (Month/Yr) and Age
	<input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F	
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Section II. Legal Custody (Decision-Making)

A. **Joint Legal Custody.** Mother and Father shall have joint legal custody of their minor child(ren). "Joint legal custody" means that both parents have equal rights to participate in, contribute to, and have responsibility for matters of health and education in their child(ren)'s best interests. Neither parent's rights are superior to the other parent's rights, and they should cooperate to determine what is in their children's best interests.

B. **Sole Legal Custody.** Joint legal custody is not in the child(ren)'s best interests. "Sole legal custody" means that the parent granted sole legal custody has the primary right to decide matters of health and education in the child(ren)'s best interests. The parent not granted sole legal custody may make emergency decisions affecting the child(ren)'s health or safety when the child(ren) are in that parent's physical care and control. The grant of sole legal custody to one parent does not deprive the other parent of access to information regarding the child(ren) unless the court specifically orders, stating the reasons for that determination.

1. Sole legal custody is granted to Mother Father for the following reasons:

a. Agreement of the parents.

b. The other parent is unable or should not be allowed to exercise decision-making because:

_____.

c. There is a danger to the child(ren) because _____.

d. Other _____.

2. Restriction of Information Regarding the Child(ren) to Non Legal Custodian.

The Mother Father is restrained from accessing the child(ren)'s health, educational and other personal information because of the following specific reasons: _____

Section III. Parenting Time Schedule

Mother shall have parenting time beginning at _____ am pm ending at _____ am pm as follows:

Mother's Weekday Schedule: _____

Mother's Weekend Schedule: _____

Mother's Other Times: _____

Father shall have parenting time beginning at _____ am pm ending at _____ am pm as follows:

Father's Weekday Schedule: _____

Father's Weekend Schedule: _____

Father's Other Times: _____

<u>HOLIDAY PARENTING SCHEDULE</u>	<u>MOTHER</u> <u>Even/Odd/Every</u>	<u>FATHER</u> <u>Even/Odd/Every</u>
New Year's Day: From _____(day) at _____(time) until _____(day) at _____(time)		
Memorial Day/weekend: From _____(day) at _____(time) until _____(day) at _____(time)		
Mother's Day/weekend: From _____(day) at _____(time) until _____(day) at _____(time)		
Father's Day/weekend: From _____(day) at _____(time) until _____(day) at _____(time)		
Independence Day: From _____(day) at _____(time) until _____(day) at _____(time)		
Labor Day/weekend: From _____(day) at _____(time) until _____(day) at _____(time)		
Halloween From _____(day) at _____(time) until _____(day) at _____(time)		
Thanksgiving Day/weekend: From _____(day) at _____(time) until _____(day) at _____(time)		
Winter Break: From _____(day) at _____(time) until _____(day) at _____(time)		
Winter Break: From _____(day) at _____(time) until _____(day) at _____(time)		
Other: From _____(day) at _____(time) until _____(day) at _____(time)		
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Priorities

- Holidays and special days specified above will have precedence over weekday and weekend visitation.
- Holidays have priority over other special occasions.
- There shall be no adjustment for missed weekends or weekdays due to interruption by specified holidays and special days. The parties are encouraged to compensate for missed weekends so that a parent will not go more than two weekends without having weekend parenting time.
- Other: _____

Section IV. Dispute Resolution Process

Disputes between the parents, other than about child support, shall be submitted to:

- Mediation by: _____
- The following dispute resolution method: _____

Section V. Military Deployment, Mobilization, or Unaccompanied Tour

Mother Father is a military service member and the following shall apply upon notice of deployment, mobilization, temporary duty, or unaccompanied tour:

1. A parent receiving deployment, mobilization, temporary duty or unaccompanied tour orders from the military shall be considered a “deployed parent.”
2. The absence, relocation or failure to comply with a parenting order by a “deployed parent,” shall not by itself constitute a material change in circumstances to make any permanent change to the parenting plan.
3. Any court order limiting previously ordered parenting rights due to the parent's deployment, mobilization, temporary duty, or unaccompanied tour shall state that event as its basis and shall constitute only a “temporary order.”
4. The nondeploying parent shall provide the court and deployed parent at least 30 days advance written notice of any change of address or telephone number.
5. The nondeploying parent shall reasonably accommodate the deployed parent’s leave schedule.
6. The nondeploying parent shall facilitate telephone and electronic communication between the child(ren) and the deployed parent.
7. The deployed parent shall provide the nondeployed parent with timely information about the deployed parent’s anticipated deployment, leave during deployment, and release from deployment.

8. During deployment, mobilization, temporary duty, or unaccompanied tour, the parents shall make decisions about the child(ren) by the following methods: _____

9. During deployment, mobilization, temporary duty, or unaccompanied tour, the child(ren) shall live with:

Mother Father Other _____ and the deployed parent shall have the following parenting time with the child(ren) when available: _____

Section VI. Address-Change

A. Mother and Father shall each notify the other parent of any address change in writing no less than 30 days before changing address by sending written notice to the other parent by certified mail – restricted delivery, return receipt requested, at that other parent’s last known address.

B. Mother and Father shall each notify the other parent of any plan to remove any child(ren) from the State of Kansas for more than 90 days by sending written notice to the other parent by certified mail – restricted delivery, return receipt requested, at that other parent’s last known address.

C. A parent is not required to give written notice of removal to the other parent under either (A) or (B) if the other parent has been convicted of a crime specified in Article 34 (crimes against persons), Article 35 (sex offenses), or Article 36 (crimes affecting family relationships and children) of Chapter 21 (Crimes and Punishments) of the Kansas Statutes Annotated to which the child(ren) was the victim.

Section VII. Transportation/ Exchange

A. **Transportation and Transportation Costs.** Responsibility for transportation and transportation costs, as they relate to parenting time, shall be as follows:

Transportation arrangements and costs shall be sole the responsibility of:

Petitioner Respondent.

Transportation arrangements and costs shall be:

Shared Equally

Other

Not necessary at this time.

B. **Exchange Point:** The exchange point for the child(ren) shall be:

The home of the Petitioner Respondent parent Other: _____

Not necessary at this time.

C. **Notice of Intent to exercise or not to exercise parenting pime:**

The Petitioner/Respondent parent shall notify the other parent _____ days in advance of intent to exercise scheduled parenting time. If notification is not given, the subject parenting time will be considered waived.

Except for extreme and exceptional circumstances, a parent is not required to wait for the other parent more than

_____ minutes before the parenting time is considered waived.

Other: _____

Not necessary at this time.

Section VIII. Telephone and Mail Contact Between Parent and Child(ren)

A. **Telephone Contact.** Each parent is allowed reasonable telephone access to their child(ren) at reasonable hours without interference from the other parent. Telephone contact with a child(ren) should not be used as an opportunity by either parent to discuss issues not related to the child(ren) with the other parent. When telephone contact is attempted to be made with the child(ren), the child(ren) should either have direct access to the telephone or the telephone should be given directly to the child(ren) with a minimal amount of conversation between the parents unless necessary for discussion of matters related to that contact. Any parent shall not refuse to answer the phone, turn off the phone or put call block on the line in order to deny the other parent telephone contact with the child(ren). Current telephone numbers, where the child(ren) may be found or is staying, shall be supplied to both parents by each parent.

Not necessary at this time.

B. **Mail & Email Contact.** Each parent with whom the child(ren) is not then living should have unlimited ability to contact the child(ren) by use of either regular United States mail or electronic mail, if such an account is available. The parent may provide self-addressed, stamped envelopes for the child(ren) to use. If available, current e-mail addresses where the child(ren) may be contacted shall be supplied to both parents by each parent. And, where possible for such purposes, reasonable computer access shall be allowed.

Not necessary at this time.

Section IX. Other Issues

Additional issues which the court enters into this parenting plan:_____.

Section X. Signatures: Required if agreed upon by the parties

Mother

Father

Name: _____
(Signature)

Name: _____
(Signature)

Name: _____
(Printed)

Name: _____
(Printed)

Address: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Telephone: _____

Date Signed: _____

Date Signed: _____

Attorney (if any): _____
(Signature)

Attorney (if any): _____
(Signature)

Attorney (if any): _____
(Printed)

Attorney (if any): _____
(Printed)

XI. ORDERED BY THE COURT

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that this parenting plan...

after approval of the agreement of the parties as evidenced by the above and foregoing parenting plan

after trial of the matter and being duly advised of the premises herein

is hereby made the order of the court by reference as though fully set forth herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, when mutual decision making is designated but cannot be achieved, the parties shall make a good faith effort to resolve the issue through the dispute resolution process. If a parent fails to comply with a provision of this plan, the other parent's obligations under the plan are not affected.

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 20____.

DISTRICT JUDGE