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Long Distance Parenting Schedule (Parents that live more than 150 miles apart)

The schedule presumes that if parents have more than one child **(ages 3 and older),** parenting time will be exercised with all children together. Unless agreed otherwise by the parties, preschool age children (ages 3 and older) follow the same schedule as school age children in the school district where they live, regardless of whether or no other school age children live in the family.

This schedule does not apply to children less than three years of age. Parenting time for children less than three years of age shall be considered by the Court on a case-by-case basis.

1. **Non-Residential Parenting Time Schedule:**
   a. **Weekends:**
   The non-residential parent shall enjoy parenting time the third weekend of every month beginning Friday at 6:00 pm and ending Sunday at 6:00 pm so long as the child's travel time to the destination totals four hours or less if traveling by car.

   b. **Spring Break:**
   The non-residential parent shall enjoy parenting time every Spring Break beginning at 6:00pm on the day that school ends and ending at 6:00 pm on the day before school resumes.

   c. **Summer Break:**
   Each party shall enjoy one half of the child(ren)'s summer break. The non-residential parent shall enjoy the first half of summer break in odd numbered years. The residential parent shall enjoy the first half of the summer break in even numbered years.

   The **"First Half of Summer Break"** is defined as beginning at 9:00 am on the day after the last day The child attends school and ends on July 16th at 6:00 pm.

   The **"Second Half of Summer Break"** begins on July 16th at 6:00 pm and ends at 6:00 pm seven days before school reconvenes.

   d. **Winter Holiday Break:**
   Each party shall enjoy one half of the child(ren)'s holiday break. The non-residential parent shall enjoy the first half of the holiday break in odd numbered years. The residential apparent shall enjoy the first half of the holiday break in even numbered years.

The **"First Half of Holiday Break"** is defined as beginning at 9:00 am on the day after the last day the child attends school and ending at 6:00 pm on the day before school reconvenes.

The **"Second Half of Holiday Break"** begins on December 27th at 6:00 pm and ends at 6:00 pm on the day before school reconvenes.

2. Additional Time:

The non-residential parent shall exercise parenting time when traveling to the area where the child(ren) resides. Notice must be given to the residential parent at least (3) days in advance. The residential parent must acknowledge the notice within 24 hours.

3. Transportation:

a. By Car: Unless otherwise agreed upon by the parties, exchanges shall occur at a half-way point in a public area (i.e., restaurant, gas station, etc.). A third party may be used to transport child(ren) if the party is unavailable. The third party must be an adult with a valid driver's license. The third party must be well-known to the child(ren). All child restraint and traffic laws must be followed.

b. By Airplane: Airline regulations govern the age at which a child may fly unescorted. Airline reservations should be made in advance, and if possible, be non-stop. All flight information shall be made available to both parents. The parent who is taking the child(ren) to the airport must notify the other parent upon departure. The parent meeting the child(ren) must notify the other parent that they have arrived. Third party pick-ups shall be allowed following the same requirements as in section (a).

c. By Other Methods: Requires each parent to transport the child(ren) to the transportation terminal for departure and pick-up. All travel information shall be made available to both parents. Parents should consider the age, experience, and safety of the child(ren) traveling alone and whether an adult should chaperone the travel. Third party pick-ups shall be allowed following the same requirements as in section (a).

d. Costs: Shall be paid by the party receiving the child. If the parties are meeting at a halfway point, each party shall be responsible for their own transportation to and from the half-way point.