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2 **Rights of Custodial and Non-Custodial Parents**

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4 The school district will honor the parental rights of natural and adoptive parents  
5 unless those rights have been altered by a court.

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7 The term “custodial parent” refers to a biological or adoptive parent to whom a  
8 court has given primary physical and legal custody of a child, and a person such  
9 as a caseworker or foster parent to whom a court has given legal custody of a  
10 child.

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12 The district will not restrict the access of custodial and non-custodial parents to  
13 their students and their students’ records, unless the district has been provided a  
14 copy of a court order that unambiguously prohibits access to the records or child  
15 by either parent. If the district is provided such a court order, school officials will  
16 follow the directives set forth in the order.

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18 The district will provide the custodial parent with routine information about his or  
19 her child, including notification of conferences. The district will not provide the  
20 non-custodial parent with such information on a routine basis, but will provide it  
21 upon the non-custodial parent’s request unless it has been denied by the courts.

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23 A non-custodial parent who wishes to attend conferences regarding his or her  
24 child will be provided information about conference times so both parents may  
25 attend a single conference. The district is not required to schedule separate  
26 conferences if both parents have been previously informed of scheduled  
27 conference times.

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29 If either or both parents’ behavior is disruptive, staff members may terminate a  
30 conference and reschedule it with appropriate modifications or expectations.

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