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## DIVORCE, CUSTODY, AND THE 2016 AMENDMENTS TO THE MARRIAGE AND DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE ACT

The State of Illinois passed a law (750 ILCS 5/602.10-11) requiring school districts to obtain PARENTING PLANS as set and determined by the Illinois Judicial branch. Under Section 606.10, designation of custodian for the purpose of all State and federal statutes that require a designation or determination of custody or a custodian, a parent plan shall designate the parent who is allocated the majority of the parenting time. This designation shall not affect parents' rights and responsibilities under the parenting plan. For purposes of the law, the parent with the majority of parenting time is considered to have legal custody.

A PARENTING PLAN must consist, at a minimum, the following:

1. An allocation of significant decision-making responsibilities;
2. Provisions for the child's living arrangements and for each parent's parenting time, including either
  - a. A schedule that designates in which parent's home the minor child will reside on given days; or
  - b. A formula or method for determining such a schedule in sufficient detail to be enforced in a subsequent proceeding;
3. Each parent's right of access to medical, dental, and psychological records, child care records, and school or extra-curricular records, reports, and schedules, unless expressly denied by a court order or denied under Section 602.11;
4. A designation of the parent who will be denominated as the parent with the majority of parenting time for purposes of Section 606.10;
5. The child's residential address for school enrollment purposes only.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, access to records and information pertaining to a child including, but not limited to, medical, dental, child care, and school records shall not be denied to a parent for the reason that such parent has not been allocated parental responsibility; however, no parent shall have access to the school records of a child if the parent is prohibited by an order of protection from inspecting or obtaining such records pursuant to the Domestic Violence Act of 1986 or the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963.

THEREFORE, all parents must present to the child's school a copy of the PARENTING PLAN signed by a judge within the first two weeks of school or within two weeks of a PARENTING PLAN being approved by the court.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand the requirements and will produce a Parenting Plan within 2 weeks.

\_\_\_\_\_ A Parenting Plan is not required because \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Parent)

\_\_\_\_\_ (date)