

**SCHEDULE A PARENTING TIME GUIDELINES FOR
TRAVEL DISTANCES UNDER 150 MILES ONE WAY**

Liberal parenting time for both parents with their children is encouraged. The court recognizes that, if at all possible, parents should create their own schedule for parenting their children. Sample parenting schedules are available for your review and consideration to assist you in the creation of your own parenting schedule. These samples may be obtained from the court or the mediation service.

This particular schedule may or may not be appropriate for you and your children. As parents, you are encouraged to review this schedule and the other sample schedules to determine what is in the best interests of your children.

If this schedule is used, specific items in the judgment entry take precedence over this schedule. The court will make changes or modifications to this schedule as it determines in the best interests of your children and will modify this schedule for infants and as may be necessary and other special circumstances.

PARENTING TIME BETWEEN THE CHILDREN AND THE PARENT WITH WHOM THE CHILD IS NOT THEN RESIDING SHALL TAKE PLACE AT SUCH TIMES AND PLACES AS THE PARTIES MAY AGREE, BUT WILL NOT BE LESS THAN:

1. Weekends: Alternate weekends from Friday at 7 p.m. until Sunday at 7 p.m.
2. Weekdays: One weekday evening per week. If the parties cannot agree as to the day and times, then it shall be Tuesday between 5 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
3. Holidays: Unless otherwise agreed, the parents shall alternate holidays on a yearly basis in accordance with the following schedule:

	Even-Numbered Years	Odd-Numbered Years	<u>As Agreed, OR</u>
Martin Luther King Day	Mother	Father	Sun. 7 p.m.-Mon. 7 p.m.
President's Day	Father	Mother	Sun. 7 p.m.-Mon. 7 p.m.
Easter	Father	Mother	Sat. 7 p.m.- Sun. 7 p.m.
Memorial Day	Mother	Father	Sun. 7 p.m.- Mon. 7 p.m. 7/4
July 4th	Father	Mother	10 a.m. 7/59 a.m. Sun. 7 p.m.
Labor Day Thanksgiving	Mother	Father	~ Mon. 7 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m. ~ Fri.
Christmas Eve Christmas	Father	Mother	7 p.m. 12/23 7 p.m.~12/24 9 p.m.
Day	Mother	Father	12/24 p.m. - 12/25 9 p.m.
New Years Eve Day	Father	Mother	12/31 5 p.m. - 1/1 9 p.m.
	Mother	Father	

- A. A holiday that falls on a weekend should be spent with the parent that is scheduled to have the children for that holiday. The rest of the weekend is to be spent with the parent who would normally have that weekend pursuant to Paragraph one above.

4. School Breaks:

A. Spring Break: Father will have spring break in the odd numbered years and Mother will have spring break in the even numbered years.

B. Christmas School Break: Mother will have Christmas school break until December 24th at 9 p.m. in the even numbered years. Father will have from December 24th at 9 p.m. until the end of the break in even numbered years. In the odd years, the time periods will reverse.

Breaks begin at 7 p.m. on the last day of school before the break and ends at 7 p.m. the night before school resumes.

A holiday that falls during the spring break or Christmas break shall be spent with the parent that is scheduled to have the children for that holiday as provided above. The rest of the break shall be spent with the parent who has that portion of the break for that year as provided above.

5. Other Days

- A. Mother's Day and Father's Day shall be spent with the appropriate parent. The hours are as agreed, or 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. The rest of the weekend is spent with the parent who would normally have that weekend. Birthdays: Unless otherwise agreed, the child shall celebrate his/her birthday in the home of the residential parent unless the birthday is on a day the other parent has scheduled for parenting time.
- B. Other days of special meaning, such as religious holidays, should be decided together, written into the Court Order, and alternated as above.
- C.

6. Summer Vacation and Extended Parenting Time: Unless otherwise agreed, the non-residential parent shall have extended summer parenting time with the children commencing at 7 p.m. on the third Sunday of July and continuing until the last Friday at 7 p.m. before school commences. Alternate weekend parenting times for each parent shall continue throughout the summer unless otherwise agreed. Summer school, necessary for the child to pass the next grade, must be attended.

7. Vacations: Each parent may arrange a vacation of not more than two (2) weeks with the children per year. The two weeks may be consecutive or nonconsecutive. If the vacation is during the summer school vacation period, the non-residential parent shall schedule his/her two weeks vacation during his/her extended summer parenting time. The residential parent shall arrange his/her vacation outside of the extended parenting time period of the non-residential parent. Unless otherwise agreed, vacation time shall not interfere with either parent's alternate weekends parenting time.

Each parent must provide the other parent with destination, times of arrival and departure, and method of travel for extended parenting time outside the parent's community.

8. Transportation: The non-residential parent is responsible for all transportation required to pickup the minor children for that parent's parenting time. The residential parent is required to provide all transportation to return the children after the end of the parenting time period.

9. Waiting: The residential parent need not wait longer than thirty (30) minutes past the required pickup time. If a visiting parent is late for pickup, said parent, at the discretion of the residential parent, forfeits parenting time for the period. The residential parent is expected to act in good faith and consider reasonable explanations for the delay. Both parents are expected to make reasonable effort to be prompt in the pickup and return of the children during parenting time. Being habitually late, and/or not exercising parenting time with the children, may not be in the children's best interest. Should a parent be habitually late in either picking up the children for parenting time, and/or picking up the children at the end of parenting time, or habitually miss entire parenting time periods, appropriate relief may be granted by the Court as provided by law.

10. Cancellations and Illnesses: If a child is ill, the parent with whom the child is then residing should give 24-hour notice of the illness, if possible, to the other parent so that appropriate plans can be made. Loss of parenting time because of sickness of a child and/or family emergencies, weather emergencies and similar problems, may be made up upon the request of the visiting party made, in writing, to the other parent within thirty (30) days after the cancelled parenting time. Said makeup time shall be as agreed to by the parties. Each party should cooperate in good faith to assure the makeup time is achieved. All other cancellations result in forfeiture.

11. Extracurricular Activities/Sports: It is the best interest of the children, that they be encouraged to participate in extracurricular activities and sports. Each parent shall make reasonable efforts to assure that this continues. The residential parent shall not schedule extracurricular activities for the children during parenting times of the other parent without first consulting that parent. The final determination as to whether the children should attend the extracurricular activity during the parenting time shall be left up to the parent scheduled to have parenting time at the time of the activity. Each parent who encourages and enrolls the children in any extracurricular activity shall provide the other parent with notice of all of the activities including schedules, if available, and the names and telephone numbers of the adult persons responsible for the activity, if available. If there is no written schedule, said parent shall orally provide the other parent with the information concerning the activity.

12. Moving: Upon either parent learning or determining, whichever occurs first, that he/she will be moving, he/she shall immediately notify the other parent and provide the other parent with the moving date, new residence address and telephone number, and such other pertinent information as necessary. The parent shall attempt, in good faith, to negotiate an appropriate and beneficial new parenting time schedule. If they are unable to do so the non-custodial parent shall, at a minimum, be entitled to parenting time in accordance with the Court's parenting time schedule for the applicable distance including the sharing of the costs of transportation and telephone expenses until a Court order modifying parenting time is entered.

13. Access to Records: Unless otherwise ordered, the non-residential parent shall have access to all medical records of the minor children, as defined in the Court's Schedule C, Paragraph 3, and may consult with any treating physician, specialist or other health care provider of the children. The residential parent shall execute any authorizations or releases necessary to release these records and documents to the nonresidential parent. Each parent shall notify each other of any health problems of the children. The non-residential parent shall have the same access as the residential parent to the children's school records. The non-residential parent shall have the right to participate in parent-teacher conferences, school trips, school programs, and other school events in which parents are invited to participate. The parent receiving the grade card shall give a copy to the other parent within three (3) days of receipt.

14. Telephone Access: Both parents are encouraged to provide the other parent reasonable and flexible telephone access to the children. The residential parent must provide, at minimum, telephone communication between the children and the nonresidential parent at least one time per week. If the parents do not otherwise agree as to the time, then it shall be 7 p.m. each Tuesday night for preschool through third grades and 9 p.m. each Tuesday for all others.

15. Current Address and Telephone Number: Each parent must keep the other parent informed of their current address and telephone number and any changes in said information, as a pre-requisite to parenting time.