

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE _____ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR _____ COUNTY, FLORIDA

Case No: _____
Division: _____

Petitioner,

And

Respondent.

RELOCATION/LONG-DISTANCE PARENTING PLAN

This parenting plan is: (Choose only **one**)

- A Parenting Plan submitted to the court with the agreement of the parties.
- A proposed Parenting Plan submitted by or on behalf of:
*{Name of Parent or Other Person}*_____.
- A Parenting Plan established by the court.

This parenting plan is: (Choose only **one**)

- A final Parenting Plan established by the court.
- A temporary Parenting Plan established by the court.
- A modification of a prior final Parenting Plan or prior final order.

I. PARTIES

Mother

Name: _____
Address: _____
Telephone Number: _____
E-Mail: _____

Father

Name: _____
Address: _____
Telephone Number: _____
E-Mail: _____

Other Person {If Applicable}

Name: _____
Address: _____
Telephone Number: _____
E-mail: _____

II. CHILDREN: This parenting plan is for the following child(ren):

{Add additional lines as needed}

Name(s)	Birth Date(s)
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

III. JURISDICTION

The United States is the country of habitual residence of the child(ren).

The State of Florida is the child(ren)'s home state for the purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act.

This Parenting Plan is a child custody determination for the purposes of the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act, the International Child Abduction Remedies Act, 42 U.S.C. Sections 11601 et seq., the Parental Kidnapping Prevention Act, and the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction enacted at the Hague on October 25, 1980, and for all other state and federal laws.

Other: _____.

IV. PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY AND DECISION MAKING

1. Parental Responsibility (Choose only one)

Shared Parental Responsibility.
 It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that the parties confer and **jointly** make all major decisions affecting the welfare of the child(ren). Major decisions include, but are not limited to, decisions about the child(ren)'s education, healthcare, and other responsibilities unique to this family.

OR

Shared Parental Responsibility with Decision Making Authority
 It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that the parties confer and attempt to agree on the major decisions involving the child(ren). If the parties are unable to agree, the authority for making major decisions regarding the child(ren) shall be as follows:

- Education/Academic decisions Mother Father Other Person
- Non-emergency health care Mother Father Other Person
- _____ Mother Father Other Person
- _____ Mother Father Other Person
- _____ Mother Father Other Person

OR

- Sole Parental Responsibility:**
It is in the best interests of the child(ren) that the Mother Father Other Person shall have sole authority to make major decisions for the child(ren.) It is detrimental to the child(ren) for the parties to share decision making.

2. Day-to-Day Decisions

Unless otherwise specified in this plan, each party shall make decisions regarding day-to-day care and control of each child, including the performance of daily tasks, while the child is with that party. Regardless of the allocation of decision making in the Parenting Plan, any party may make emergency decisions affecting the health or safety of the child(ren) when the child is residing with that party. A party who makes an emergency decision shall share the decision with the other party as soon as reasonably possible.

3. Extracurricular Activities (Choose all that apply)

- Any party may register the child(ren) and allow them to participate in the activity of the child(ren)'s choice.
- The parties must mutually agree to all extracurricular activities.
- The party with the minor child(ren) shall transport the minor child(ren) to and/or from all mutually agreed upon extra-curricular activities, providing all necessary uniforms and equipment within the party's possession.
- The costs of the extracurricular activities shall be paid by:
Mother _____% Father _____%
- The uniforms and equipment required for the extracurricular activities shall be paid by:
Mother _____% Father _____%
- Other: _____.

V. INFORMATION SHARING. Unless Otherwise Indicated or Ordered by the Court:

1. Unless otherwise prohibited by law, the parties shall have access to medical and school records, and information pertaining to the child(ren), and shall be permitted to independently consult with any and all professionals involved with the child(ren). The parties shall cooperate with each other in sharing information related to the health, education, and welfare of the child(ren) and they shall sign any necessary documentation ensuring that all parties have access to said records.
2. Each party shall be responsible for obtaining records and reports directly from the school and health care providers.

3. The parties have equal rights to inspect and receive governmental agency and law enforcement records concerning the child(ren).
4. The parties shall have equal and independent authority to confer with the child(ren)'s school, day care, health care providers, and other programs with regard to the child(ren)'s educational, emotional, and social progress.
5. The parties shall be listed as "emergency contacts" for the child(ren).
6. Each party has a continuing responsibility to provide a residential and mailing address, and contact telephone number (s) to the other parties. Each party shall notify the other parties in writing within 24 hours of any changes. Each party shall notify the court in writing within seven (7) days of any changes.
7. Other: _____
_____.

VI. SCHEDULING

1. School Calendar

If necessary, on or before _____ of each year, the parties should obtain a copy of the school calendar for the next school year. The parties shall discuss the calendars and the time-sharing schedule so that any differences or questions can be resolved.

The parties shall follow the school calendar of: (Choose **all** that apply)

- the oldest child
- the youngest child
- the school calendar for _____ County
- the school calendar for _____ School

2. Academic Break Definition

When defining academic break periods, the period shall begin at the end of the last scheduled day of classes before the holiday or break and shall end on the first day of regularly scheduled classes after the holiday or break.

3. Schedule Changes (Choose **all** that apply)

- A party making a request for a schedule change will make the request as soon as possible, but in any event, except in cases of emergency, no less than _____ before the change is to occur.
- A party requesting a change of schedule shall be responsible for any additional child care, or transportation costs caused by the change.
- Other _____.

VII. TIME-SHARING SCHEDULE

1. Weekday and Weekend Schedule

The following schedule shall apply beginning on _____ with the
[] Mother [] Father [] *{If Applicable}* Other Person and continue as follows:

A. The child(ren) shall spend time with the **Mother** on the following dates and times:

WEEKENDS: [] Every [] Every Other [] Other *{Specify}* _____

From _____ to _____

WEEKDAYS: *{Specify days}* _____

From _____ to _____

OTHER: *{Specify}* _____

B. The child(ren) shall spend time with the **Father** on the following dates and times:

WEEKENDS: [] Every [] Every Other [] Other *{Specify}* _____

From _____ to _____

WEEKDAYS: *{Specify days}* _____

From _____ to _____

OTHER: *{Specify}* _____

C. The child(ren) shall spend time with the **Other Person** *{If Applicable}* on the following dates and times:

WEEKENDS: [] Every [] Every Other [] Other *{Specify}* _____

From _____ to _____

WEEKDAYS: *{Specify Days}* _____

From _____ to _____

OTHER: *{Specify}* _____

D. **Please indicate if there is a different time sharing schedule for any child. Complete a separate Attachment for each child for whom there is a different time sharing schedule.**

[] There is a different time-sharing schedule for the following child(ren) in Attachment _____.

_____, and _____.
{Name of Child} *{Name of Child}*

2. Holiday Schedule (Choose only one)

[] No holiday time sharing shall apply. The regular time-sharing schedule set forth above shall apply.

- [] Holiday time-sharing shall be as the parties agree.
- [] Holiday time-sharing shall be in accordance with the following schedule. The Holiday schedule will take priority over the regular weekday, weekend, and summer schedules. Fill in the blanks with Mother, Father, or *{If Applicable}* Other Person to indicate where the child(ren) will be for the holidays. Provide the beginning and ending times. If a holiday is not specified as even, odd, or every year with one party, then the child(ren) will remain with the other party in accordance with the regular schedule

<u>Holidays</u>	<u>Even Years</u>	<u>Odd Years</u>	<u>Every Year</u>	<u>Begin/End Time</u>
Mother's Day	_____	_____	_____	_____
Father's Day	_____	_____	_____	_____
President's Day	_____	_____	_____	_____
Martin Luther King Day	_____	_____	_____	_____
Easter	_____	_____	_____	_____
Passover	_____	_____	_____	_____
Memorial Day Weekend	_____	_____	_____	_____
4 th of July	_____	_____	_____	_____
Labor Day Weekend	_____	_____	_____	_____
Columbus Day Weekend	_____	_____	_____	_____
Halloween	_____	_____	_____	_____
Thanksgiving	_____	_____	_____	_____
Veteran's Day	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hanukkah	_____	_____	_____	_____
Yom Kippur	_____	_____	_____	_____
Rosh Hashanah	_____	_____	_____	_____
Child(ren)'s Birthdays	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

This holiday schedule may affect the regular time-sharing schedule. Parties may wish to specify one or more of the following options:

- [] When the parties are using an alternating weekend plan and the holiday schedule would result in one party having the child(ren) for three weekends in a row, the parties will exchange the following weekend, so that each has two weekends in a row before the regular alternating weekend pattern resumes.
- [] If a party has the child(ren) on a weekend immediately before or after an unspecified holiday or non-school day, they shall have the child(ren) for the holiday or non-school day.

3. Winter Break

- A. Winter Break (Choose only **one**)

The Mother Father *{If Applicable}* Other Person shall have the child(ren) from the day and time school is dismissed until December ____ at ____ a.m./p. m in odd-numbered years even-numbered years every year. The other party will have the child(ren) for the second portion of the Winter Break. The parties shall alternate the arrangement each year.

The Mother Father *{If Applicable}* Other Person shall have the child(ren) for the entire Winter Break during odd-numbered years even-numbered years every year

Other: _____

B. Specific Winter Holidays

If not addressed above, the specific Winter Holidays such as Christmas, New Year's Eve, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, etc. shall be shared as follows:

_____.

4. Spring Break (Choose only one)

The parties shall follow the regular schedule.

The parties shall alternate the entire Spring Break with the Mother Father *{If Applicable}* Other Person having the child(ren) during the odd-numbered even-numbered years

The Father Mother *{If Applicable}* Other Person shall have the child(ren) for the entire Spring Break every year.

The Spring Break will be evenly divided. The first half of the Spring Break will go to the party whose regularly scheduled weekend falls on the first half and the second half going to the party whose weekend falls during the second half.

Other: _____.

5. Summer Break (Choose only one)

The parents shall follow the regular schedule through the summer.

The Mother Father *{If Applicable}* Other Person shall have the entire Summer Break from _____ after school is out until _____ before school starts.

The parties shall equally divide the Summer Break as follows:

[] Other: _____
_____.

6. Number of Overnights:

Based upon the time-sharing schedule, the Mother has a total of _____ overnights per year, the Father has a total of _____ overnights per year and *{If Applicable}* the Other Person has a total of _____ overnights per year. **Note: The total of these numbers must equal 365.**

7. [] **If not set forth above**, the parties shall have time-sharing in accordance with the schedule which is attached as Attachment _____ and incorporated herein.

VIII. TRANSPORTATION AND EXCHANGE OF CHILD(REN)

The parties shall have the child(ren) ready on time with sufficient clothing packed and ready at the agreed upon time of exchange. All necessary information and medicines will accompany the child(ren).

The parties shall exchange travel information and finalize travel plans at least _____ days in advance of the date of travel. Except in cases of emergency, any party requesting a change of travel plans after the date of finalization shall be solely responsible for any additional costs.

1. Automobile Transportation and Exchange (Choose only one)

If a party is more than _____ minutes late without contacting the other party to make other arrangements, the party with the child(ren) may proceed with other plans and activities.

[] The [] Mother [] Father [] *{If Applicable}* Other Person shall provide all transportation.

[] The [] Mother [] Father [] *{If Applicable}* Other Person shall pick up the child(ren) at the beginning of the visit and the other party shall pick up the child(ren) at the end of the visit. The exchange shall take place:
[] At the parties' homes unless otherwise agreed
[] At the following location unless the parties agree in advance to a different location: _____.
[] The parties shall meet at the following central location: _____.

[] Other: _____.

2. Airplane and Other Public Transportation and Exchange

Airline regulations govern the age at which a child may fly unescorted. An older child or children may fly under such regulations as each airline may establish.

Airline reservations should be made well in advance and preferably, non-stop or direct.

All flight information shall be sent to the other party(ies) at least _____ days in advance of the flight by the party purchasing the tickets.

If the child(ren) are flying accompanied by a party, the party picking up the child(ren) shall exchange the child(ren) with the other party at _____ and the party returning the child(ren) shall exchange the children at _____.
If the exchange is to be made at the airport, the party flying in to pick up or drop off the child(ren) from/to the airport must notify the other party of any flight delays.

Unless otherwise agreed in advance, the party taking the child(ren) to the airport must call the other party(ies) immediately upon departure to notify the other party(ies) that the child(ren) is/are arriving, and the party who meets the child(ren) must immediately notify the other party(ies) upon the child(ren)'s arrival.

[] Until a child reaches the age of _____, the parties agree that the child(ren) shall take a direct flight and/or fly accompanied by: _____.

[] Once a child reaches the age of _____, the child shall be permitted to fly accompanied by an airline employee.

[] Once a child reaches the age of _____, the child shall be permitted to fly unescorted.

[] Other: _____.

3. Costs of Airline and Other Public Transportation (Choose all that apply)

[] Ticket Purchase *{If Applicable}*:
The parties shall work together to purchase the most convenient and least expensive tickets.

After consultation among the parties, it shall be the responsibility of _____ to purchase the tickets by *{date}* _____.
All parties entitled to access to, or time-sharing with the child(ren) shall be notified of the purchase by *{date}* _____.

Proof of the purchase and a copy of the itinerary (choose only **one**) [] shall be provided to all parties by *{date}* _____ [] shall not be provided.

Unless otherwise agreed or in the case of an unavoidable emergency, any costs incurred by a missed travel connection shall be the sole responsibility of the party who failed to timely deliver the child(ren) to the missed connection.

- Transportation costs are included in the Child Support Worksheets and/or the Order for Child Support and should not be included here.
- Mother shall pay _____% Father shall pay _____% of the transportation costs.
- Mother shall pay _____% Father shall pay _____% of the transportation costs for an adult to accompany the child(ren) during travel.
- If the parties are sharing travel costs, the non-purchasing party shall reimburse the other party within _____ days of receipt of documentation establishing the travel costs.
- Other: _____.

4. Foreign and Out-Of-State Travel (Choose all that apply)

- The parties may travel within the United States with the child(ren) during his/her time-sharing. The party traveling with the child(ren) shall give the other party(ies) at least _____ days written notice before traveling out of state unless there is an emergency, and shall provide the other party(ies) with a detailed itinerary, including locations and telephone numbers where the child(ren) and party can be reached at least _____ days in advance of the date of travel.
- A party may travel out of the country with the child(ren) during his/her time-sharing. At least _____ days in advance of the date of travel, the party shall provide a detailed itinerary, including locations, and telephone numbers where the child(ren) and party may be reached during the trip. Each party agrees to provide whatever documentation is necessary for the other party(ies) to take the child(ren) out of the country.
- If a party wishes to travel out of the country with the child(ren), he/she shall provide the following security for the return of the child _____
_____.
- Other _____.

5. Other Travel and Exchange Arrangements: _____

IX. EDUCATION

1. **School designation.** For purposes of school boundary determination and registration, the Mother's Father's *{If Applicable}* Other Person's address shall be designated.

2. *{If Applicable}* The following provisions are made regarding private or home schooling:

3. **Other.** _____

X. DESIGNATION FOR OTHER LEGAL PURPOSES

The child(ren) named in this Parenting Plan are scheduled to reside the majority of the time with the Mother Father *{If Applicable}* Other Person. This majority designation is SOLELY for purposes of all other state and federal laws which require such a designation.

This designation does not affect the rights or responsibilities of any party under this Parenting Plan.

XI. COMMUNICATION

1. Between Parties

All communications regarding the child(ren) shall be between the parties. The parties shall not use the child(ren) as messengers to convey information, ask questions, or set up schedule changes.

The parties shall communicate with each other by: (Choose **all** that apply)

- in person
- by telephone
- by letter
- by e-mail
- Other: _____

2. Between Parties and Child(ren)

The parties shall keep contact information current. Telephone or other electronic communication between the child(ren) and another party shall not be monitored by or interrupted by the other party. "Electronic communication" includes telephones, electronic mail or e-mail, webcams, video-conferencing equipment and software or other wired or wireless technologies or other means of communication to supplement face to face contact.

The child(ren) may have telephone e-mail other electronic communication in the form of _____ with the other party: (Choose **only one**)

- Anytime
- Every day during the hours of _____ to _____
- On the following days _____ during the hours of _____ to _____
- Other: _____

3. Costs of Electronic Communication shall be addressed as follows:

XII. CHILD CARE (Choose only **one**)

- Each party may select appropriate child care providers
- All child care providers must be agreed upon by the parties.
- Each party must offer the other party the opportunity to care for the child(ren) before using a child care provider for any period exceeding _____ hours.
- Other _____.

XIII. CHANGES TO OR MODIFICATIONS OF THE PARENTING PLAN

Temporary changes may be made informally without a written document. When the parties do not agree, this Parenting Plan remains in effect until further order of the court.

Any substantial changes to the Parenting Plan must be sought through the filing of a supplemental petition for modification.

XIV. RELOCATION

Any relocation of the child(ren) is subject to and must be sought in compliance with Section 61.13001, Florida Statutes.

XV. DISPUTES OR CONFLICT RESOLUTION

The parties shall attempt to cooperatively resolve any disputes which may arise over the terms of the Parenting Plan. The parties may wish to use mediation or other dispute resolution methods and assistance, such as Parenting Coordinators and Parenting Counselors, before filing a court action.

XVI. OTHER PROVISIONS
