STUDENTS

Child Custody

The board of directors presumes that the person who enrolls a student in school is the residential parent/legal guardian of the student. The residential parent/legal guardian is responsible for decisions regarding the day-to-day care and control of the student. Parent/legal guardians, or defacto parent/legal guardians have the two-fold right to receive information contained in the school records concerning their child and to forbid or permit the disclosure of such information to others subject to the authority granted to the residential parent/legal guardian.

The board, unless informed otherwise, assumes that there are no restrictions regarding the nonresidential parent/legal guardian's right to be kept informed of the student's school progress and activities. If restrictions are made relative to the above rights, the residential parent/legal guardian will be requested to submit a certified copy of the court order which curtails these right(s). If these rights are questioned by the nonresidential parent/legal guardian, the issue will be referred to law enforcement authorities for resolution.

Unless there are court-imposed restrictions, the nonresidential parent/legal guardian, upon request, will be given grade reports, notices of school activities, reports of disciplinary actions, or notices of teacher or principal conferences or summaries.

If there is a court order on file with the district that restricts and or prohibits any parent/legal guardian or other person from contact with a student at school or picking up a student from school, then the district will not permit the student to visit with or be released to that parent/legal guardian, or other person.

Cross References:	Policy 2420	Grading and Progress Reports
	Policy 3124	Removal of Students During School Hours
	Policy 3231	Student Records
	Policy 4200	Safe and Orderly Learning Environment
	Policy 4310	Relations with Law Enforcement, Child Protective Agencies
		and County Health Department
Legal References:	CFR 45, Part 99	Family Education Rights and Privacy Act
	RCW 26.09.184	Parent/Legal Guardian Plan
	RCW 26.09.225	Access to child's education and health care needs
	RCW 13.34.200	Order terminating parent/legal guardian and child
		relationship

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