

PARENTAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

All staff members respect the parent rights of both parents/legal guardians. Unless there is a law, legally binding document, or court order to the contrary, both parents/legal guardians have the right to:

- inspect and review the student’s electronic and written school records, in accordance with Policy JO;
- receive all notifications required by law;
- visit the school in accordance with Policy KK School Visitors and KN Sex Offender and Crimes against Minors Registry Information;

Parent/Legal Guardian Responsibilities

The custodial parent/legal guardian has the responsibility to:

- keep the school office informed as to the address of residence and how they parent may be contacted at all times;
- provide the current address and phone number of the noncustodial parent on the Alexandria City Public Schools registration form, unless such address is unknown and the custodial parent signs a statement to that effect, or unless a court order restricts contact rights of the noncustodial parent; and
- provide a copy of any legal document which restricts the educational and/or contact rights of the noncustodial parent.

The noncustodial parent has the responsibility to keep the school office informed of changes in the parent’s current phone number and address. At the request of a noncustodial parent, such parent will be included as an emergency contact for the student’s activities unless a court order has been issued to the contrary.

The noncustodial parent may request in advance to participate in parent-teacher conferences.

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Legal Refs: 20 U.S. C § 1232 (g)
34 C.F.R. § 99.4

Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§, 22.1-4.3, 22.1-78, 22.1-287

48	Cross Refs:	JED	Student Absences/Excuses/Dismissals
49		JO	Student Records
50		KK	School Visitors
51		KN	Sex Offender Registry Notification
52		KNA	Violent Sex Offenders on School Property

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~~A. When parents of a student are estranged, separated, or divorced, building personnel will uphold the parental rights of both parents. All staff members respect the parent rights of both parents/legal guardians. Unless there is a law, legally binding document, or court order to the contrary, both parents/legal guardians have the right to:~~

- ~~• inspect and review~~View the student's electronic and written school records, in accordance with Policy JO;
- ~~• Receive all notifications required by law school progress reports, the school calendar, and notices of major school events;~~
- ~~• Visit~~ the school in accordance with Policy KK School Visitors and KN Sex Offender and Crimes against Minors Registry Information;

~~• Participate in parent teacher conferences; in the case of noncustodial parent, after a timely request is made;~~

~~• Receive all notifications in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; and~~

~~• Receive notice of the student's extended absence, as defined in and pursuant to Policy JED, if both parents have joint physical custody.~~

~~B. Parent/Legal Guardian~~ Responsibilities

The custodial parent/legal guardian has the responsibility to:

- ~~• k~~Keep the school office informed as to the address of residence and how they parent ~~he or she~~ may be contacted at all times;
- ~~• p~~~~Provide~~~~List~~ the current address and phone number of the noncustodial parent on the Alexandria City Public Schools registration form, unless such address is unknown and the custodial parent signs a statement to that effect, or unless a court order restricts ~~the educational or~~ contact rights of the noncustodial parent; and
- ~~• p~~Provide a copy of any legal document which restricts the educational and/or contact rights of the noncustodial parent.

The noncustodial parent has the responsibility to keep the school office ~~informed~~apprised of changes in ~~the parent's~~his or her current phone number and address. ~~Further, the noncustodial parent may make timely requests to participate in parent teacher conferences.~~ At the request of a noncustodial parent, such parent will be included as an emergency contact for the student's activities unless a court order has been issued to the contrary.

The noncustodial parent may request in advance to participate in parent-teacher

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