CHILD CUSTODY

The board of directors presumes that the person who enrolls a student in school is the residential parent of the student. The residential parent is responsible for decisions regarding the day-to-day care and control of student. Parents, guardians or defacto parents 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.

The board, unless informed otherwise, assumes that there are no restrictions regarding the nonresidential parent'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 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, the issue will be referred to law enforcement authorities for resolution.

Unless there are court-imposed restrictions, the nonresidential parent, 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 or other person from contact with or picking up a student from school, then the student is not permitted to visit with or be released to that parent, or other person.

Cross References:	Board Policy	2420	Grading and progress reports
		3124	Removal/Release of students during school hours
		3231	Student Records
		4200	Safe and Orderly Learning Environment
		4310	Relations with Law Enforcement, Child Protective Agencies and County Health Department
Legal References:	CFR45, Part 99		Family education rights and privacy act
	RCW 13.34.200		Order terminating parent and child relationship
	RCW 26.09.184		Permanent parenting plan

Management Resources:
Policy News, October 2008 Child Custody
Policy News, December 2008 Child Custody

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