

**North Wasco County
School District 21**

Code: **GBH/JECAC**
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Orig. Code(s): Chenowith GBH/JECAC

Staff/Student/Parent Relations**

The Board encourages parents to be involved in their student's school affairs unless otherwise ordered by the courts. Parent, as used in this policy includes legal guardian or person in a parental relationship. The status and duties of a legal guardian are defined in ORS 125.005 (4) and 125.300 - 125.325. The determination of whether an individual is acting in a parental relationship, for purposes of determining residency, depends on the evaluation of the factors listed in ORS 419B.373. The determination for other purposes depends on evaluation of those factors and a power of attorney executed pursuant to ORS 109.056. For special education students, parent also includes a surrogate parent, an adult student to whom rights have transferred and foster parent as defined in OAR 581-015-0005 (18). An order of sole custody on the part of one parent shall not deprive the other parent of the following authority as it relates to:

1. Receiving and inspecting education records and consulting with school staff concerning the student's welfare and education, to the same extent as provided the parent having sole custody;
2. Authorizing emergency medical, dental, psychological, psychiatric or other health care for the student if the custodial parent is, for practical reasons, unavailable.

It is the responsibility of the parent with sole custody to provide any court order that curtails the rights of the noncustodial parent at the time of enrollment or any other time a court order is issued. A parent with sole custody shall be requested to provide the district with written instructions regarding particular rights or privileges granted to the noncustodial parent.

Noncustodial parents will not be granted visitation or telephone access to the student during the school day. The student will not be released to the noncustodial parent without written permission of the parent with sole custody.

In the case of joint custody, the district will adhere to all conditions specified and ordered by the court. The district may request in writing any special requests or clarifications in areas concerning the student and the district's relationship and responsibilities.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 107.154](#)
[ORS 109.056](#)
[ORS 163.245 - 163.257](#)

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. Section 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99 (2000).
Protection of Pupil Rights, 20 U.S.C. Section 1232h; 34 CFR Part 98 (2000).