

KANAWHA COUNTY SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION
Series: C43A - Non-custodial Parents/Access to Students

43.1 Scope of Regulation. This regulation shall govern all matters relative to access to minor students, while students are under the care and control of the District, by the natural parents of such students who, by virtue of court orders governing such matters as divorce, separation or custody, lack the legal custody of such students.

43.2 General Rule. Non-custodial parents shall enjoy the same rights relative to access to their children's education records and information as are enjoyed by parents or guardians who have legal custody of their children, including the right to conference with any teacher or other school personnel regarding student progress.

43.3 Restrictions on Access. If the building principal or administrator of any school is presented with a certified court order that expressly restricts the access of a non-custodial parent to his or her child, the provisions of such court order shall be strictly observed until such time as a subsequent certifies court order is presented that modifies or removes such restrictions. Any questions concerning the authenticity, interpretation or application of such court orders shall be promptly referred to the Office of General Counsel.

43.4 Notice of Restricted Access. A building principal or administrator who has been presented with a certified court order that restricts the access of a non-custodial parent may give written notice to the non-custodial parent of any relevant restrictions that will observed by the District.

43.5 Removal of Students from School Premises. Only custodial parents or guardians may pick up their children after school or remove their children from school. Other persons, including non-custodial parents, must be authorized in writing by the custodial parent or guardian to pick up a student after school or to remove a student from school. The District shall not undertake to monitor or enforce any visitation schedule that may govern the day or days that parents and non-custodial parents pick a student up after school.