

## Parenting Time Schedule D – Long Distance Policy

This is a sample parenting time schedule that can be used to schedule parenting time for the non-custodial parent when one parent has sole physical custody. This schedule is recommended for families with school-age children when the travel distance for parenting time is over 150 miles one way. It includes a proposed holiday schedule for many major holidays. This schedule is only a sample. This sample, as well as our other sample parenting time schedules, will be available for you to choose during our divorce interview. You may also use it as a starting point and make changes to it, or you may choose to make your own parenting time schedule altogether.

1. The non-custodial parent will have parenting time during the spring school vacation in odd-numbered years. Spring school break is defined as 6:00 p.m. the day school recesses until 6:00 p.m. the day before school resumes.
2. The non-custodial parent will have parenting time during the first half of the summer school vacation in even-numbered years and the second half of summer vacation in the odd-numbered years. Summer vacation is defined as 9:00 a.m. two days after school ends for the school year until 6:00 p.m. two days before the new school year begins. Summer school necessary for the child(ren) to pass to the next grade must be attended. The non-custodial parent will provide a general itinerary to the custodial parent if the child(ren) are on a trip away from the non-custodial parent's home.
3. The non-custodial parent will have parenting time Thanksgiving weekend in even-numbered years. Thanksgiving weekend is defined as 6:00 p.m. on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving Day until 6:00 p.m. on the Sunday after Thanksgiving Day.
4. The non-custodial parent will have parenting time during the winter school vacation in odd-numbered years. Winter school break is defined as 6:00 p.m. the day school ends until 6:00 p.m. the day before school begins.
5. Responsibility for transportation costs for parenting time during spring vacation, summer vacation, Thanksgiving, and winter vacation will be shared equally, i.e., the parent receiving the child(ren) will be responsible for picking the child(ren) up from the other parent's residence, the parties will meet at an agreeable mid-way point, the parent receiving the child(ren) will provide for one-way airfare, or the cost for round-trip airfare will be split equally.
6. The non-custodial parent may have additional parenting time upon a minimum of seven days' advanced, written notice whenever the non-custodial parent is in the geographical area of the child(ren).

7. Whenever the child(ren) are in the area of the non-custodial parent, the custodial parent must notify the non-custodial parent and offer time for the child(ren) to be with that parent.
8. The non-custodial parent will have the option of weekend parenting time whenever the child(ren) have a Friday or a Monday school holiday. The non-custodial parent will be solely responsible for transportation during these parenting time periods. The custodial parent will provide a copy of the school calendar to the non-custodial parent every fall so arrangements for extended weekend parenting time can be made in advance.
9. During periods of extended parenting time with the non-custodial parent, the child support abatement will not be affected by regularly scheduled parenting time periods with the custodial parent. For example, during extended summer parenting time, weekend parenting time with the custodial parent will not affect the abatement.