

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL IN
AND FOR BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. II-00-F-6

IN RE:

PARENTING EDUCATION COURSE

In accordance with the authority vested in the Chief Judge by Rule 2.050 of the Florida Rules of Judicial Administration and Florida Statutes, and pursuant to Section 10(D) of the Family Plan, and 61.21 of Florida Statutes, it is

ORDERED:

1. When a dissolution of marriage action is filed where children are involved, the parties will be required to attend an educational course regarding dissolution, custody, visitation, and shared parental responsibility.
2. The Clerk of Courts shall provide the petitioning party or attorney a copy of this order and a list of the parenting courses approved by the court.

The Clerk of Courts shall provide for service on the respondent along with initial pleadings, a copy of this order, and a list of the court approved parenting courses.

The list shall include the names of the court approved course providers and telephone numbers where inquiries may be made concerning registration, as well as other pertinent information that may be necessary to assist the petitioner and respondent in selecting an approved course.

3. It will be the responsibility of the petitioner or petitioning attorney to schedule his/her client for an approved parenting course within ten (10) days of filing and it will be the responsibility of the respondent or respondent's attorney to schedule his/her client for an approved parenting course within ten (10) days of filing the responsive pleadings. Unless attendance at the parenting course has been excused by the Court, the course must be completed within thirty (30) days of the date of registration.

The parents may attend classes together or separately.

4. Specific subject matter is required for court approved providers offering this program. An equivalent parenting program may be accepted or designated by the Court provided the following subject areas are covered:

- a. Divorce as a loss: The stages of grief for parents and for children;
- b. Permanency of the parental role/shared parenting;
- c. Developmental stages of children and the impact of divorce during each stage;
- d. Parent-to-child communication techniques and parent-to-parent communication techniques;
- e. Parent-Child access (Visitation);
- f. Families in transition (economic changes, parental dating, step parenting issues, loss of community for the adults and the children, residential and nonresidential parenting;
- g. Child Abuse;
- h. Domestic Violence;
- I. Commonly used terms in the dissolution of marriage process;
- j. Community resources for divorcing parents and their children.

5. Within ten (10) days of completion of any court accepted parenting course, the parties must provide a certificate of completion to the Clerk of Courts with a copy to the opposing side. The Clerk of Courts shall file the certificates of completion in the court file.

The parties shall file the certificate of completion prior to the final hearing. This shall, however, in no way preclude either party from seeking emergency relief at any time. If the responding party has defaulted in the action and has failed to complete the course, the final hearing may be scheduled by the petitioner; however, the petitioner must bring to the Court's attention the respondent's failure to comply with this Administrative Order.

6. Failure to comply with this order may result in the Court's dismissal of action, striking of pleadings, and/or other appropriate sanctions.

7. Notwithstanding the terms of this order, nothing herein should be construed to preclude the Court from requiring the parents to attend a parenting course in a paternity or support action, or in any other action which involves custody, visitation, or shared parenting issues.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED:

1. The court administrative staff shall establish a time frame to screen applicants who wish to become court approved providers for the Parent Education Course, and shall implement specific standards regarding course content, duration of class instruction, instructor qualifications, distribution of materials, certificates of completion, advance notice of class schedules, statistical and other reports to the court, as well as related educational and operational matters.

The administrative staff shall develop an application process and shall determine those programs that meet the court's qualifications and shall provide a list of approved programs to the Clerk of Courts. The administrative staff shall also develop a method for monitoring the performance of the education courses on a regular basis, and, for removing programs from the approved providers' list for failure to comply to the court's standards, time frames, and requirements.

2. All approved providers shall offer enrollment, instruction, and all other parenting course privileges to indigent parties at no cost, and shall distribute certificates of completion to qualified indigent participants at the conclusion of the course. Persons who have qualified for indigent status will have an official indigency document with the signature of a judge or Clerk of Courts.

3. The court administrative staff shall be authorized to take necessary measures to implement additional requirements for providers when necessary to meet state statutes or community needs, and/or to protect the integrity of the Parenting Course.

This Order replaces Administrative Order No. II-95-F-6.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Broward County, Florida, this 25th day of October, 2000.

/s/DALE ROSS

Dale Ross, Chief Judge



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Course Name	Class Location	Circuit	Registration/Provider Contact Information	Course Information
17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT				
25 Dollar Parent Class	Times and dates vary please call for more information or visit www.25dollarparentclass.com	17	(830) 372-4555 Serving Broward County, Ft. Lauderdale, Pembroke Pines and Hollywood	Classroom setting English Also available online and correspondence Indigent Status Accepted
Academy for a Healthy Divorce	Academy for Family Advocacy Kids Need Both, Inc. St. Nicholas Episcopal Church 1111 E. Sample Road Pompano Beach 33064	17	(888) 310-6630 Danica Joan Fields, M.Ed. Family Advocacy Director info@KidsNeedBoth.org www.KidsNeedBoth.org	Classroom setting in English. Indigent status not accepted
Assisting Parents through Divorce	Email or call for exact location of class parentingisjob1@aol.com (954) 456-2850 (305) 899-9910	17	Jerome R. Tabas Florida Supreme Court Certified Family Mediator, Parenting Coordinator, and Litigation Consultant	Classroom setting in English only Also available as a correspondence course or by individual appointment Indigent status not accepted
Children of Divorce	The Glass House 4700 N. State Road 7 Bldg A Suite 112 Lauderdale Lakes 33319	17	(954) 938-0055 theglasshouseonline@yahoo.com www.theglasshouseonline.net	Classroom setting or by individual appointment in English only Indigent status accepted
Parent Education & Family Stabilization	Joel I. Kimmel, Ph.D. 5571 N. University DrSte 101 Coral Springs 33067	17	(954) 755-2885 www.kimmelpsychology.com denise@kimmelpsychology.com	Classroom setting also by individual appointment and correspondence all in English only. Indigent status accepted
Parent Education and Family Stabilization	Successful Unions, Inc. 1489 W. Palmetto Park Road Boca Raton 33486	17	(561) 750-6037 or (561) 750-6031 (fax) www.successfulunions.com successfulunions@aol.com	Classroom setting and by individual appointment in English only Indigent status not accepted
Parenting for Divorce (Serving Broward and Dade)	Counseling and Empowerment Group	17	Dr. Percy Ricketts (954) 438-5661 or	Classroom and Online Indigent Status Accepted

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Counties)	10031 Pines Blvd. #242 Pembroke Pines 33024		(866) 438-5661. www.parentingfordivorce.com percyricks@msn.com	
A Parenting & Divorce Course Education Programs	Coral Springs Medical Office Building 3000 Coral Hills Drive 1 st Floor Coral Springs Memorial Regional Hospital 3501 Johnson Street Hollywood Memorial Hospital West (Main conference room in lobby, 1 st floor) 703 N. Flamingo Road Pembroke Pines 33028 Memorial Hospital Pembroke 7800 Sheridan Street Pembroke Pines 33024	17	(800) 767-8193 www.educationprograms.com www.onlinedivorceprogram.com ep@educationprograms.com	Classroom setting English/Spanish Also available online and correspondence Indigent Status Accepted
PATCH Program (Parent and Their Children's Happiness)	MH Martin Educational Therapy 5379 Lyons Road, #118 Coconut Creek, 33073 Call for specific class locations	17	Michele Martin. (954) 979-0712 Eduthera4u@aol.com	Classroom setting in English Materials available in Spanish Indigent status accepted. Also available by correspondence
Positive Parenting through Divorce	Antrium Family Center 8551 Sunrise Blvd Plantation FL 33322	17	(954) 252-9130 or (866) 778-3349 www.positiveparentingthroughdivorce.com support@positiveparentingonline.com	Classroom setting English only Course materials also available in Spanish Indigent status accepted

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Pro-Active Parenting and Divorce	5551 North University Drive Suite 202 Coral Springs 33067	17	Family Therapy Associates (954) 341-2555 x 206 (877) 933-0001 x 206 www.FYfamilies.com drdebbswayman@familytherapyassociates.org	Also available online in English/Spanish Classroom setting English with materials available in Spanish/French Reduced fee for Indigence status. Also available online in English/Spanish and correspondence course in English/Spanish/French. Individual and private classes available
Surviving Divorce: A Guide for Parents	Call for location and time	17	1-877-695-4377 561-324-3450 Jorgegomez65@hotmail.com	Classroom Setting in English only. Indigent status accepted Also available online in English at www.parentsupportnetwork.com and in Spanish at www.padresparasiempre.com Available in Creole by correspondence
Transparenting	call for exact location	17	Dr. Sheryl Ferguson (954) 476-0255 www.thepsychcenter.net thepsychcenter@bellsouth.net	Classroom, English and Spanish Languages

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ONLINE/DISTANCE LEARNING		
Some Florida counties have Administrative Orders requiring parents to take the Course in a live-classroom setting. Before taking a distance-learning course, please contact your local Family Court Office to ensure that distance learning courses are accepted.		
Course Name	Provider & Contact Information	Registration Information
15DollarParentClass.com	Focus on the Children Parent Education 1-830-372-4555	www.15DollarParentClass.com www.FloridaParentCourse.com 100% online Mobile Friendly Also available in Classroom setting and Correspondence
A Co Parenting Class	Putting Kids First 888-300-4707 customerservice@puttingkidsfirst.org	Puttingkidsfirst.org 888-777-2298 Online and Correspondence Available in 64 languages Indigent Status Accepted Works on all mobile devices – Available 24/7
A Florida Divorce Education Program		www.floridadivorceeducation.com (800) 344-0335 Fax registration (561) 791-7380
All-N-One Co-Parenting	All-N-One Therapy (850) 784-7888	www.familyparenting.info Indigent Status on case by case basis English only
A Parenting & Divorce Course Education Programs	Sari Lesinski 800.767.8193	www.onlinedivorceprogram.com English/Spanish Classroom setting and correspondence also available Indigent Status Accepted

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A Positive Divorce Resolution	Robert Perchalski, PhD GlennaAuxier	www.divorce-resolution.com (888) 747-5362 Correspondence in English and Spanish Indigent Status Accepted
American Safety Institute		www.floridaparentingcourse.com info@americansafetyinstitute.com (800) 800-7121
Assisting Parents Through Divorce	Jerome Tabas, B.S., M.S., J.D. Florida Supreme Court Certified Family Mediator, Parenting Coordinator, and Litigation Consultant Parentingisjob1@aol.com	Parentingisjob1@aol.com (954)456-2850 (305)899-9910
As We Grow Counseling	As We Grow Counseling 2240 Twelve Oaks Way Suite 101 Wesley Chapel 33544 Melissa@aswegrowcounseling.com	www.aswegrowcounseling.com (813) 838-4807 Pay by PayPal or check (prior to taking course) or credit card Also available in classroom setting
Aaron Classes LLC	James Hunter PO Box 533441 Orlando 32853 www.FloridaParentingClassNow.com admin@floridaparentingclassnow.com www.FlaParent.com	English and Spanish, indigent applications accepted
C Parenting Depot Too	ArlayneGallow agallow117@gmail.com 954- 967- 9878	www.parentingdepottoo.com 954- 353- 3182 Easy access
Children of Divorcing Parents	www.mdc.edu/ce/kendall 305-237-2163	Online in English/Spanish Indigent Status Accepted Also available in classroom setting English/Spanish

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Center of Solutions	Kathy Garber, LMFT (888) 606-1962 centerofsolutions@gmail.com	http://www.divorceparentingclass.net or http://www.parentingclassonline.net Course available in English and Spanish.
Children First	www.palmbeachstatechildrenfirst.com Palm Beach State College Lake Worth - (561) 868-3514 nichols@palmbeachstate.edu Belle Glade -- (561) 993-1175 finleyb@palmbeachstate.edu	Online English only Also available in classroom setting Indigent status accepted
Between Two Homes	Bradley Craig Between Two Homes LLC www.Makingtwohomeswork.com support@childreninthemiddle.com 1-800-239-3971 (phone) 972-704-2912 (fax)	English only Indigent applications accepted
Crownpointe Parent Education & Family Stabilization	Dr. William D. Wallace, Ph.D. (352) 512-3837 Crownpointefamilystabilization.org info@Crownpointefamilystabilization.org	Online in English Indigent status accepted Also available in classroom setting
Course for Parents	eLearning Systems, LLC 4023 Tampa Road Suite 2000 Oldsmar, FL 34677 877-419-1369 Courseforparents.com info@courseforparents.com	www.CourseForParents.com Online in English only Indigent status accepted
Courtroom Creations Inc.	Millard Ripley (877) 602-2368 admin@courtroomcreations.com	www.courtroomcreations.com Online and Correspondence in English/Spanish indigent applicant accepted with prior application. Also available in classroom setting English/Spanish



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Center for Divorce Education's Children In Between Online (Formerly: Children in the Middle)	Don Gordon, Ph.D. Executive Director http://online.divorce-education.com 877-874-1365 (toll free) 740-594-2521 (fax) E-mail: info@divorce-education.com	English & Spanish, Online only. Court Approved Fee Waivers honored, Indigent applicants accepted.
Divorce Class	Onlineparentingprograms.com 866-504-2883 805-550-3663	www.onlineparentingprograms.com Indigent applicants accepted. Course available in English and Spanish
Divorce & Its Impact on Children	Rebecca Herbst info@gocep.com (800) 803-6710 or (352) 343-9399	www.GOCEP.com English/Spanish Classroom available see Circuit 5 (Ocala)
Elite Continuing Education	Lisa Stevens, Office Manager Lisa@eliteme.com (888) 857-6920 ext. 305 (877) 503-4867	www.betterparenting4kids.com www.lowestpriceparentingcourse.com Indigent Status Accepted
Florida Coparenting Education		www.floridacoparenting.com Online in English only Indigent Status Accepted
Florida Parenting Class On-line	Pensacola State College, Frances Yeo 850-484-1797 www.pensacolastate.edu/continuingeducation	
Growing Well Family Behavioral Services	Mary Ann Ellis, M.A.; Ed.S. www.growingwellfs.com maryaellis@bellsouth.net (352) 465-2444	Online English only Also available in English/Spanish/French by individual appointment
Helping Children After Divorce	Stephen B. Mayville, Ph.D., B.C.B.A.-D 775-826-6218 www.helpingchildrenafterdivorce.com	English and Spanish

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Informed/My Children First	Mark A. Bateh 8789 San Jose Blvd #305 Jacksonville 32217 questions@cme.edu	www.mychildrenfirst.com (800) 547-0308 or (904) 354-2657 Online or also available by correspondence
Kid Care for Co-Parents	Parent Education Group Parenteducationonline.com 978-409-9100 mbournil@verizon.net	English only Indigent Status accepted
Kids in Divorce Situations	University of Continuing Education, Inc.	Internet course English and Spanish www.floridaparenting.com 24/7 Customer Care - 1-800-732-4135
Lowest Price Parenting CLASS.com	David L. Thomas Attorney at Law (ret.) 386-235-3949 Email: videopar@msn.com	www.LowestPriceParentingCLASS.com www.VideoParentingCourse.com 4-hour video presentation in English and Spanish 4-hora la presentación video en English o español
Video Parenting Course.com	Michelle Muncy 866-504-2883 michelle@onlineparentingprograms.com	www.onlineparentingprograms.com Available in English and Spanish Discounts available to indigent and military Customer Services hours 6:00 am - 8:00 pm PST
OnlineParentingPrograms.com	Ari Novick 333 Third Street, Suite 4 Laguna Beach 92651 www.mhaswfl.org 239-261-5405	www.onlineparentclass.com (949) 715-2694
Online Parent Class	Robyn Soldevilla (305) 989-8118	Online in English/Spanish Indigent Status Not Accepted Also available in classroom setting English only
Parenting Class		Online in English/Spanish Indigent Status Accepted www.parentingchoice.com administrator@parentingchoice.com
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Parent Education & Family Stabilization	Advanced Psychiatric Solutions www.adpsychsolutions.com (407) 730-3837	Online in English only Also available in classroom setting English/Spanish Indigent Status not accepted for online
Parent Education & Family Stabilization	Family Court Education & Mediation Services 8 Broadway Ste. 226 Kissimmee 34741 familycourteducation@embarqmail.com www.courtclasses.com (407) 931-1778	Online English/Spanish Also available in classroom setting English only Indigent status accepted
Parent Education & Family Stabilization	Mark Banschick www.familystabilizationcourse.com	English only, online only, indigent applicants accepted
Parent Education Group, Inc.	customerservice@parenteducationonline.com	Correspondence Only www.parenteducationonline.com
Pro-Active Parenting and Divorce	Dr. Debbie Swayman Karen Kaplan	www.FYfamilies.com (954) 341-2555 x 206 (877) 227-5955 x 206 Reduced fee for Indigence status. Online and Correspondence available in English/Spanish/French
Positive Parenting through Divorce	Atrium Family Center (954) 252-9130 or (866) 778-3349 English - www.positiveparentingthroughdivorce.com Spanish - www.spanishparentingclass.com support@positiveparentingonline.com	Online English/Spanish Also available in Classroom setting Indigent status accepted
Surviving Divorce: A Guide for Parents	Jorge Gomez 4621 Carthage Circle S. Lake Worth 33463	www.parentsupportnetwork.com (English) www.padresparasiempre.com (Spanish) (561) 324-3450
Tom Wilson Counseling Center	Tom Wilson 514 S. Orchard, Suite 101 Boise, ID 83705	www.ParentingApart.com twilson@tomwilsoncounseling.com 1-877-368-9909



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Terem Education Services, Inc.	Dr. M.L. White (813) 951-4991 (850) 445-6441	http://teremed.org/ Email padahm@aol.com
Two Families Now – Effective Parenting During Separation and Divorce AhoraSomos Dos Familias (Spanish version of Two Families Now)	IRIS Educational Media (877) 343-4747	Online in English/Spanish www.twofamiliesnow.com email support@irised.com

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