

# Hancock County Board of Education

Monitoring:  <b>Review: Annually, in April</b>	Descriptor Term: <h2 style="text-align: center;">Child Custody / Parental Access</h2>	Descriptor Code: <h3 style="text-align: center;">6.209</h3>	Issued Date: <h3 style="text-align: center;">08/06/15</h3>
		Rescinds:	Issued:

1 The Board presumes that the person who enrolls a student in school is the student's custodial parent.  
 2 Unless a Tennessee court specifies otherwise, the custodial parent shall be the one whom the school  
 3 district holds responsible for the education and welfare of that child.

4 Parents or guardians shall have the right to receive information contained in school records concerning  
 5 their minor child.<sup>1</sup> The Board, unless informed otherwise, assumes there are no restrictions regarding the  
 6 non-custodial parent's right to be kept informed of the student's progress and activities. If restrictions are  
 7 made relative to the rights of the non-custodial parent, the custodial parent shall submit a certified copy  
 8 of the court order which curtails these specific rights.

9 Unless there are specific court-imposed restrictions, the non-custodial parent, upon request, shall receive  
 10 a copy of the child's report card, notice of school attendance, names of teachers, class schedules,  
 11 standardized test scores and any other records customarily available to parents.<sup>2</sup>

12 No school official shall permit a change in the physical custody of a child at school unless:

- 13 1. The person seeking custody of the child presents the school official with a certified copy of a  
 14 valid court order from a Tennessee court designating the person who has custody of the child;  
 15 and
- 16 2. The person seeking custody shall give the school official reasonable advance notice of his/her  
 17 intent to take custody of the child at school.<sup>3</sup>

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Legal References

1. 20 U.S.C. § 1232g (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974)
2. TCA 49-6-902
3. TCA 36-6-105

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Cross References

Student Records 6.600-604