

# PARENTING CHECKLIST

## 1. Goals of parenting after separation

## 2. Decision making for education, medical treatment, religious upbringing, etc.

- Meet and confer
- Mini evaluations
- Required mediator

## 3. Schedule for children

- Weekdays/nights and weekends (Regular school year)
- School vacations
- Holidays (e.g. Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve and Day, New Year's, Easter, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Halloween, others)
- Special days (e.g. children's birthdays, parents' birthdays, Mother's Day, Father's Day)

## 4. Miscellaneous Topics

- Transportation
- Child care arrangement
- Sick days – School in service days
- Education and health information about children
- Consistency between homes
- Other

## 5. Expenses

- Health Insurance and uncovered costs
- Reimbursement for expenses incurred for extra-curricular activities, etc.
- Child Care
- College costs
- Other Expenses (e.g. School clothes, summer camps, tutoring, etc.)

## 6. Evolving Parenting Arrangements

- Parent moving away
- Step-Parents – Blended family
- Growing older
- Children's future
- Regular Reviews