

CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: CHILD CUSTODY

ADOPTED: December 12, 2017

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<p>1. Authority</p> <p>2. Delegation of Responsibility</p> <p>3. Definitions</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">238. CHILD CUSTODY</p> <p>The Board recognizes the need to deal with child custody issues in a manner that is in accordance with Applicable Law, in compliance with any binding court orders, and sensitive to the interests of those involved.</p> <p>The Superintendent shall develop administrative regulations necessary to implement this policy.</p> <p><u>Explanation of Commonly Used Terms</u> – In the absence of a court order to the contrary, it is assumed that each parent has equal access to their minor child or children. Where courts enter orders associated with custody, certain terms are commonly used:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “Custody” means the legal right to keep, control, guard, care for, preserve a child, and includes the terms “legal custody,” “physical custody,” and “shared custody” and “partial custody”. 2. “Legal Custody” means the legal right to make major decisions affecting the best interests of a minor child, and including but not limited to medical, religious and educational decisions. 3. “Physical Custody” means actual physical possession and control of the child. 4. “Shared Custody” means shared legal and shared physical custody or both of a child in such a way as to assure the child a frequent and continuing contact, including physical access, to both parents. 5. “Partial Custody” means the right to take possession of a child away from the custodial person for a certain period of time. 6. “Visitation” means the right to visit a child, but does not include the right to remove the child from the custodial parent’s control. <p>References:</p>
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	<p>School Code – 24 P.S. Sec. 1301, 1302</p> <p>State Board of Education Regulations – 22 PA Code Sec. 11.11</p> <p>Child Protective Services Law – 23 Pa. C.S.A. Sec. 5301 et seq.</p> <p>Family Educational Rights and Privacy, Title 34, Code of Federal Regulations – 34 CFR Part 99</p> <p>Board Policy – 113, 216</p>
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