

Juvenile Services Division

Positive Transition: Educational Custody Seminar

Court of Common Pleas



Beaver County

An Opportunity
for parties of custody
litigation

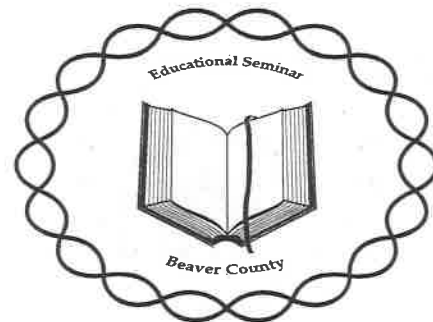
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The **Educational Seminar** consists of 4 to 5 hours of class instruction designed to increase knowledge and understanding of how to effectively communicate regarding matters involving custody of a child or children.

Legal Requirements: LR1915C Educational Seminar Pertaining to Parties to Custody Actions: All parties to Custody Actions where the interests of children under the age of eighteen (18) years are involved, shall, unless excused by the Court, complete a program which is entitled the Educational Seminar, or such other title as determined by the Administrative Judge.

The Notice and Registration Form are available at the Beaver County Law Library.
www.beavercountypa.gov/court/law-library.

Failure of a party to successfully complete the Seminar will result in sanctions by the Court, including Contempt.



Goals:

1. Participants will learn how to handle the transition after separation which has significant and lasting effects on their own and their child or children's well-being.
2. Participants will learn how co-parenting conflict has lasting, harmful effects on children.
3. Participants will learn how effective co-parenting puts children's needs above all, including methods for ongoing communication, shared parenting time and shared decision-making about the child or children's needs and interests.
4. Participants will learn how to improve the quality of their parenting, including parental monitoring, family routines and discipline that is respectful and includes the child or children.
5. Participants will learn how attending to their own emotional, social and physical needs, allow them to gain the energy and strength necessary to move forward and behave in ways that protect their child or children's well-being.

Curriculum:

The minimum requirements of 4 to 5 hours of class will include the following subject areas:

- 1. Unit 1: Helping Children Adjust During Separation and Divorce.
- 2. Reduce Co-Parenting Conflict.
- 3. Make a Plan for Shared Parenting.
- 4. Key Parenting Skills to Better Children from Risk.
- 5. Handling Stress and Building a Support Network.

Costs:

The cost of the Educational Seminar is \$55.00 by cash, money order or a certified check, to be paid to Juvenile Services Division at the time of registration. Payment in advance of the Seminar is required. Participants may apply to the Court to have the fee waived due to inability to pay. Verification of income must accompany the application. Determination of indigent status will be made by any Child Custody Officer, Educational Seminar Instructor, or the Educational Seminar Coordinator based on the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

Location:

The class will be held in the Beaver County Courthouse in the Juror's Lounge on the second floor unless informed otherwise at the time of registration.

Dates/Times:

The Educational Seminar will be scheduled at various days and times to accommodate participants' schedules. The exact dates and times of the Seminar will be determined in conjunction with the Courts and the Educational Seminar Coordinator.



Certificates of Completion:

Certificates of Completion will be prepared by the instructor and distributed at the conclusion of the seminar by the instructor if the participant has completed all required sessions and requirements.

A copy will be filed at the Office of the Prothonotary of Beaver County.

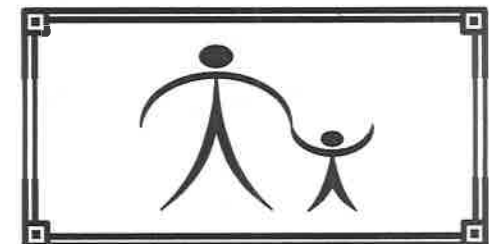
Intoxication/Disruptive Behavior:

The Participants are encouraged to participate in discussions and activities; however, disruptive behavior will not be tolerated.

The participant may be dismissed at the discretion of the instructor.

Participants are also advised that they must abstain from the use of illegal drugs and/or alcohol.

No food or drink will be permitted in the classroom. The smoking policy of Beaver County Courthouse will be strictly enforced.





Registration for the Positive Transition: Educational Custody Seminar:

All parties to custody actions who wish to enroll in the Positive Transition: Education Custody Seminar may do so in person at the Juvenile Services Division.

Registration days and times are as follows:

Monday- Friday (excluding holidays):

9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

After 3:30 p.m. by appointment only.

*Registration fee of \$55.00 is due at the time of registration. Payment can be made by way of **cash, money order, or certified check**. Registrants seeking to have the registration fee waived may file an application with the Court. All applications must be accompanied by proof of income or an ACCESS card.*

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Positive Transition: Educational Custody Seminar Registration Form

WHAT: Individuals who are parties in custody actions are required by the Beaver County Court to attend a four-hour parenting seminar. This seminar is geared towards families dealing with divorce and familial transitions due to a custody case. The program covers a wide-range of topics and is beneficial in teaching effective parenting skills. Children should NOT attend the seminar. Smoking on County Property is prohibited in accordance with County Ordinance No.: 12184-ORD.

WHO: All parties involved in a custody matter in Beaver County are required to attend.

WHEN: Seminars are held twice a month during two different time slots to accommodate a variety of work schedules. Each class is approximately four hours long. You must attend all four hours of the seminar to achieve a successful completion.

WHERE: The seminar will take place in the Jurors' Lounge on the second floor of the Beaver County Courthouse, 810 Third Street, Beaver, PA 15009. If you are registered for an evening session, please enter the Courthouse through the rear entrance.

COST: \$55 per person. Payment must be made at the time of registration. Certified checks, Money Orders, and Cash are acceptable forms of payment. All participants must present a copy of this form and photo ID at check-in on the date of the seminar. **Please make certified check or money order payable to Juvenile Services Division.**

<u>Daytime Seminars:</u>	
<u>8:30 am – 12:30 pm</u>	
April 24, 2019	May 24, 2019
June 12, 2019	July 24, 2019
August 14, 2019	September 24, 2019
October 9, 2019	November 12, 2019
December 10, 2019	

<u>Evening Seminars:</u>	
<u>4:30 pm – 8:30 pm</u>	
May 1, 2019	June 19, 2019
July 10, 2019	August 21, 2019
September 4, 2019	October 2, 2019
November 6, 2019	December 4, 2019

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No./Email address: _____

Prothonotary No.: _____

Seminar date: _____

Payment: _____

- Certified Check
 Money Order
 Cash