

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILDREN’S DIVISION

**PARENT-CHILD VISITATION PLAN (CD-85)**

Date this Visitation Plan begins:       Anticipated Review Date:

Parent(s):

Child(ren):

**VISITATION PLAN**

The plan detailed below is a result of:  Consensus of the Family Support Team  Court Order

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| Mon: | Time: | Unsupervised | Supervised by: |
| Tue: | Time: | Unsupervised | Supervised by: |
| Wed: | Time: | Unsupervised | Supervised by: |
| Thu: | Time: | Unsupervised | Supervised by: |
| Fri: | Time: | Unsupervised | Supervised by: |
| Sat: | Time: | Unsupervised | Supervised by: |
| Sun: | Time: | Unsupervised | Supervised by: |

**Approved Locations for Parent-Child Visits:**

**Family Specific Instructions/Guidelines:**

This document outlines the parent-child visitation plan determined through Family Support Team Member consensus or by Court Order. The time spent with your child(ren) is an opportunity to parent and engage with your child(ren).

**PARENTING TIME PURPOSE**

Children’s Division believes in the importance of a bond between a parent and child. It is important that the parent/child relationship continue during the time your child is placed outside your home. It is important that your parenting time is used to demonstrate your ability to properly care for, supervise, and support your child throughout this time period. To provide accurate and timely documentation to the court, and to ensure your child’s safety, some or all of your parenting time may be supervised. Supervised Parenting Time can be supervised by your worker or other responsible individuals approved in advance of your parenting time by your Family Support Team.

**PARENTING TIME GUIDELINES**

Your child deserves parenting time that will be consistent; therefore, it is very important that you participate in your parenting time with your child as scheduled. Occasionally, your child may not be able to attend as scheduled due to illness or other extraordinary circumstances. If this were to occur, you should receive notice of the circumstances as soon as possible. If you cannot attend parenting time as scheduled, it is vital to notify your caseworker and supervising party as soon as possible. Parenting time that is missed may be rescheduled when possible.

**It is important that you fulfill a positive parenting role throughout the visit**.

This is demonstrated by:

* Attending your parenting time sober and drug-free. If you appear to be under the influence of a substance upon arrival, parenting time may be canceled.
* Engaging with your child in age-appropriate activities and conversations. Be prepared to meet all your child’s needs throughout the parenting time by bringing things such as snacks, drinks, diapers and wipes.
* Keeping conversations about your case separate from parenting time. At the end of parenting time, you may ask your worker to schedule a meeting for you to ask questions or discuss your case, but these discussions should not be held during your parenting time.
* Demonstrating safe behaviors during your parenting time. The visit will end immediately if unsafe or aggressive behaviors occur.
* Remembering that parenting time is primarily for you and your child. Before you bring someone else with you to parenting time, they must be approved by your Family Support Team.
* Putting away your phone or other devices, unless you are using it with the child for age-appropriate videos, games or taking photos.
* Using age-appropriate redirection, which will reinforce your rules and boundaries and help guide your child. Physical punishment is not allowed during any parenting time.
* Not making promises to the child that are outside of parental control.
* Following all rules of the location chosen for the visit as well as encouraging your child to follow the rules.
* Cleaning up after yourself and your child. This includes picking up trash, putting toys away and cleaning up any mess in the visitation space.
* Other:

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| Parent: | | Phone: |
| Parent: | | Phone: |
| Supervising Party: | | Phone: |
| Placement Provider: | | Phone: |
| Case Manager: | | Phone: |
| Other: | Role: | Phone |

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