

**IN THE COURT OF THE PUYALLUP TRIBE OF INDIANS  
FOR THE PUYALLUP INDIAN RESERVATION  
TACOMA, WASHINGTON**

In re custody of:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Minor child(ren)

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\_\_\_\_\_,  
Petitioner(s),

v.

\_\_\_\_\_,  
Respondent(s).

Case No.

**PARENTING PLAN**

SUBMITTED BY: (check one)

Petitioner

Respondent

ORDER OF THE COURT

**I. PARENTS**

Petitioner is  Mother  Father

Respondent is  Mother  Father

**II. CHILDREN**

Names \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Children are enrolled in the Puyallup Tribe of Indians

Children are enrolled in another federally recognized Indian tribe:

**III. RESTRICTIONS (Check One)**

A.  There are no special restrictions on either parents' rights and responsibilities with regard to the child(ren) (*skip to Part III if this box is checked*).

B.  There are special restrictions established by Court order because of:

1.  Child Abuse

2.  Domestic violence

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3.  Mental or physical illness
4.  Child abandonment or neglect
5.  Abuse use of conflict with spouse which may be harmful to child(ren)
6.  Alcohol or drug abuse
7.  Kidnapping or denial of access to the child(ren) without good cause
8.  Other (describe below) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Because of such restrictions  Father's  Mother's time with the child(ren) shall be restricted as follows:
  - Supervised by court-appointed monitor /designated person: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Restricted in location of visits: \_\_\_\_\_
  - No overnight visits             Transport restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I. DECISION MAKING

Joint legal custody means the following decisions must be made by both parents: Changes to the minor's legal name, where the minors attend school, permission to attend events where parental permission is required, doctors, dentists, orthodontists and other health specialists, out-of-state and out-of-country travel, and extracurricular activities impacting both parents' time with the children.

Sole legal custody means the parent with legal custody may decide: Changes to the minor's legal name, where the minors attend school, permission to attend events where parental permission is required, doctors, dentists, orthodontists and other health specialists, out-of-state and out-of-country travel, and extracurricular activities.

To avoid having problems and ending up back in court, both parents should communicate with each other and cooperate in making other decisions together.

- Mother and Father have joint legal custody of the minor children.
- Sole legal custody is with  Mother  Father.

Special provisions for decision making, if any: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

II. RESIDENTIAL PARENT AND CUSTODIAN

Physical custody determines where the child will live. Joint or shared physical custody means the child will live with each parent according to a residence schedule. Sole physical custody means the minor child will live with one parent and the other parent has no parenting time allocated. Primary physical custody means the minor child will live with one parent and the other parent has parenting time allocated.

- Mother and Father shall have joint physical custody of the minor children.

Sole or  Primary physical custody shall be with  Mother  Father.

This parent is the residential parent and custodian for the purposes of all applicable state and federal laws. This designation shall not affect either parent's rights or responsibilities under the plan.

### III. RESIDENTIAL SCHEDULE

The following schedule provides where the child(ren) will live and what contact they will have with each parent. The parents can, by agreement, change the following dates and times, but any agreements should be signed, dated, and in writing.

- A. Pre-School Age: Prior to age five, the child(ren) will live with  Father  Mother, and the time spent with the other parent will be as follows:

| <u>Age</u>      | <u>Time With:</u>   |
|-----------------|---|
| 0-6 months      | <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Father |
| 6 months-1 year | <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Father |
| 1 year-3 years  | <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Father |
| 3 years-5 years | <input type="checkbox"/> Mother <input type="checkbox"/> Father |

After the child(ren) reach(es) age 5, paragraphs C, D, E, and F below will provide where the child(ren) will live and what contact he/she/they will have with each parent.

- B. School Year Schedule: The school year begins one week before the beginning of the child(ren)'s school year and ends at the end of the school year. If the child(ren) is/are not in school the schedule runs from September 1<sup>st</sup> through May 31<sup>st</sup>.

The child(ren) will spend school weekdays with  Father  Mother, except the following school weekday nights, if any, shall be spent with the other parent:

Weekday night \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m. to \_\_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m. as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of each month with:  Mother  Father  
2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of each month with:  Mother  Father  
3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of each month with:  Mother  Father  
4<sup>th</sup> weekend of each month with:  Mother  Father  
5<sup>th</sup> weekend of each month with:  Mother  Father

- C. Summer Schedule: The summer schedule begins the Saturday following the end of the child(ren)'s school year and ends one week before the beginning of the next school year. If the child(ren) is/are not in school, the schedule runs from June 1<sup>st</sup> through August 31<sup>st</sup>.

The child(ren) will spend the summer with  Mother  Father, except the following times shall be spent with the other parent: \_\_\_\_\_

- D. Special Days and Holidays: The child(ren) will spend special days and holidays with each parent as follows: Where "alternating" is selected, the parent with custody will be indicated or the system to determine custody will be indicated.

|   | <u>Mother</u>            | <u>Father</u>            | <u>Alternating</u>       | <u>Other (write name):</u>     |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Martin Luther King, Jr. Day                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| Chief's/Presidents' Day                     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| Memorial Day                                | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> of July                     | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| Labor Day                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| Fishing Wars Recognition Day (9/8)          | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| Chief Leschi Day (second Monday in October) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| Veteran's Day                               | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| Thanksgiving                                | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| Christmas Eve                               | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| Christmas Day                               | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| Mother's Day                                | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| Father's Day                                | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
| Birthdays                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

Other days or special arrangements: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

E. Spring Vacation: Spring vacation begins the first day of the Spring vacation from school and ends the Sunday before the return to school.

The child(ren) will spend Spring vacation with  Father  Mother  Alternating, except the following times shall be spent with the other parent: \_\_\_\_\_

F. Winter Vacation: Winter vacation begins the first day of the Winter vacation from school and ends the Sunday before the return to school.

The child(ren) will spend winter vacation with  Father  Mother  Alternating, except the following times shall be spent with the other parent: \_\_\_\_\_

G. Transportation: of child(ren) between parents will be provided by:

Father  Mother, except that the other parent shall provide the following transportation:

\_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

IV. DISPUTE RESOLUTION

A. When the mutual decision-making is designated, but cannot be achieved, or when there is conflict regarding residential arrangements, the parents shall make a good faith effort to resolve the dispute through the following dispute resolution process:

Counseling  Mediation  Court  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_

B. When disputes arise, preference shall be given to carrying out the existing parenting plan unless the contesting parent establishes bad faith, fraud, duress or coercion on the part of the other parent.

V. CHILD SUPPORT:  Child support should be set at \$0.00 per month because  no request for child support is being made  other: \_\_\_\_\_

Child support should be established. The party requesting child support will contact the Puyallup Tribe Child Support Program to initiate a child support action pursuant to PTC 7.24, the Parental Responsibility Act.

A. Health Care: The cost of the uninsured health care shall be paid by:  Father  Mother, except that [                  %] of the cost shall be paid by the other parent.

B. Day Care: The current monthly day care expenses of the child(ren) are \$          . The cost of the day care shall be paid by  Father  Mother, except that [                  %] of the cost shall be paid by the other parent.

C. Other Costs:  Father  Mother shall pay \$                                   per month for the following other costs or special needs: \_\_\_\_\_

D. Health Insurance: Both parents shall be ordered to maintain any health insurance on the minor child(ren) which is available through a present or future employer or other organization; provided that the employer or other organization pays part or all of the premiums. If the child receives services from the Indian Health Service or its contracting entity, then this requirement is waived.

E. Tax Exemptions:  Father  Mother shall have the right to claim the child(ren) as exemption(s) for federal income tax purposes. Provided, however, that the parent required to pay support may claim exemption(s) for federal income tax purposes only if he/she is current in the payment of support; provided further, that the parent receiving child support shall annually sign the necessary consent forms to permit the parent required to pay support to claim the child(ren) as exemption(s) for federal income tax purposes.

VI. OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

These additional terms and conditions shall apply to the extent they do not conflict with any special restrictions or conditions set forth above or by Court order.

A. Except in the event of illness, injury, or other form of emergency, neither parent will deny the minor child access to the other parent during their scheduled period as a form of punishment or acceptance of a child's preference to cancel. Neither parent will schedule activities which conflict with the other parent's time with the children without that parent's permission.

- B. The custodial parent will transfer the children in a neat, clean manner and properly fed (unless requested otherwise).
- C. Each parent shall be accorded equal access to all medical and educational records, documents, images, and formats; and shall provide written authorization of full access to the other parent, as may be required by the person, agency or institution maintaining any counseling, treatment, or other such records and files. Information concerning minor medical or emergency medical procedures will be shared as soon as possible with the other parent.
- D. Both parents may attend any school, religious, or community activity in which the children participate regardless of which parent has overall responsibility for the supervision, payment, transportation, etc. of such activity. Either parent may enter the children into additional activities considered safe and age appropriate, which occur exclusively during that parent's scheduled period of access, and do not involve the other parent's time or money. Neither parent however, may enroll the children into any activity which involves the other parent's participation or resources without first obtaining the other parent's written consent.
- E. Use of Alcohol/Illegal Substances Prohibited. The parent exercising custody of the children shall not possess any illegal drugs (or drugs that are illegal without a prescription) or contraband, and shall not consume in excess any alcohol, drugs or medications which could cause an adverse or impaired effect, or any combination of alcohol, drugs and/or medications which could result in an adverse or impaired effect. This prohibition also applies to household members, family members, or associates in the child's presence while in the home. The minors shall not be exposed to second hand smoke while in the parent's residence or vehicles.
- F. Communication. Parents shall maintain respectful communications with each other and shall avoid disparaging the other parent and their families to the children. Parents shall communicate directly with each other on matters concerning the child and may not use the child or significant others as a messenger between them. Parents shall not communicate about the child in the child's presence.
- (1) All parties are prohibited from making extrajudicial statements or otherwise discussing the issues in this matter with the minor in any oral or written manner (including electronic communications and social media). Extrajudicial statements are oral or written statements made outside of court proceedings and are generally subject to hearsay rules and objections if the party making the statement knows or reasonably should know that it will have a substantial likelihood of materially prejudicing the proceedings.
  - (2) This order prohibits the parties' discussion of issues in this matter in any social media or other electronic or digital forum or format.
  - (3) Petitioner and Respondent are further prohibited from discussing the issues in this matter with third parties if (1) they are not a party to this case; and (2) they do not provide a legal, educational, medical, dental, spiritual, or other service that creates a confidential service provider-client relationship.
  - (4) This order shall not be construed to prohibit contact between the parties and their respective advocates or counselors, nor is it intended to prohibit discussion between the parties that

would be protected by applicable provider-client confidentiality (such as doctor-patient confidentiality).

- (5) This order shall not be construed to prohibit discussion between the parties and a government agency performing an inquiry or investigation.
- G. Vacations/Out of State Travel. The parents shall provide each other with travel plans (dates and times, carriers, hotels, and phone numbers) as soon as they become known to the traveling parent. The traveling parent shall telephone or will have the child(ren) phone the other parent the day of arrival, as well as other times throughout the vacation. Parents shall also exchange email addresses and allow email exchanges with the children.
- H. Permissions. Parents shall not unreasonably withhold permission for a child's activity, including international travel, completing required documentation for travel, summer camp, medical attention, or other activities.
- I. Babysitter. Before a babysitter or other childcare provider is called to provide care for a child, the parent seeking such care shall immediately advise the other parent by phone, email, text or other appropriate means and give that parent the opportunity to provide such care unless restrictions on that parent's visitation or interaction with the child exist.
- J. Grandparent Visitation. Neither parent shall unreasonably deny the children's access to maternal and paternal grandparents and other close family; provided, such grandparent or family member does not have a history of violence or child abuse or neglect and agrees to abide by all conditions set forth herein. Time with grandparents or close family members shall not take place in a manner that deprives the parent exercising custody of time with the children over such parent's objections. Visitation with maternal grandparents and maternal relatives is at Mother's discretion, and visitation with paternal grandparents and paternal relatives is at Father's discretion.
- K. General Welfare Assistance Funds. The Puyallup Tribe strictly governs the distribution and management of General Welfare assistance funds. The parents agree to manage the child's general welfare funds in accordance with Puyallup Tribal Law.
- L. Relocation. If one parent plans to move at least 25 miles away, that parent must give at least 60 days written notice of the intended move to every person entitled to court-ordered residential time or visitation with the child. If the moving parent has less than 60 days to relocate (such as a military reassignment), such parent must give notice no more than five (5) days after the parent finds out about the move. The non-moving party must file an objection with this Court within 30 days of receiving such notice.
- M. Catastrophic Events. In the event of the death of a parent, the surviving parent shall immediately assume responsibility of sole custody for the child(ren) identified herein. In the event of serious, extended, or debilitating illness or injury of one parent, the other parent shall assume temporary primary care until such time such afflicted parent shall sufficiently recover to resume the responsibilities of providing adequate shared parenting.
- N. Updated Contact Information. The parties shall notify the Court *and all parties* of any change in contact information via written notice.

VII. COMPLIANCE WITH THIS PLAN

If a parent fails to comply with a provision of this plan, the other parent’s obligations under the plan are not affected. **FAILURE TO COMPLY MAY RESULT IN BEING HELD IN CONTEMPT OF COURT OR OTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION.** Neither parent may withhold visitation as a means of enforcing the terms of this Parenting Plan.

VIII. MODIFICATION

Unless an emergency exists, neither party may petition to modify this parenting plan less than 180 days from the date of its entry. Agreed changes may be made at any time and must be filed with the Court to be valid and enforceable.

If the parents cannot agree on a change, they may pursue the dispute resolution process set forth in this parenting plan.

The court will not modify a prior custody decree or a parenting plan unless it finds, upon the basis of facts that have arisen since the prior decree or plan or that were unknown to the court at the time of the prior decree or plan, that a substantial change has occurred in the circumstances of the child or the nonmoving party and that the modification is in the best interest of the child and is necessary to serve the best interests of the child.

IX. NOTICE

Any notice required or permitted in this parenting plan shall be in writing and shall be deemed given if delivered in person or if mailed, to the addresses provided by the parents in this parenting plan; provided, such notices may be delivered using electronic means when the parent being noticed waives, in writing, the formal notice required herein.

X. VALIDITY OF PLAN

Any provision of this parenting plan deemed invalid or unenforceable shall be deemed to be deleted with all remaining provisions remaining in full force and effect.

XI. SIGNATURES

By signing below, the parties acknowledge that they have reviewed and understand this parenting plan and have had the opportunity to ask the Court questions about the parenting plan.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Father Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Mother Signature*

/s/  
\_\_\_\_\_  
*Father Print Name - Electronic Signature*

/s/  
\_\_\_\_\_  
*Mother Print Name - Electronic Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: THIS PARENTING PLAN IS NOT VALID UNTIL APPROVED BY A PUYALLUP TRIBAL JUDGE .**