

CLARK COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT
STANDARD GUIDELINES ON PERIODS OF PHYSICAL PLACEMENT

The policy of the court is to equalize physical placement between the parents whenever possible. Therefore a 50/50 shared placement is sought unless circumstances warrant otherwise. The following guidelines are designed to serve this goal. **Parents are free to reach an agreement that is different from these guidelines, subject to court approval, as long as the best interests of the children are not harmed.**

TYPE OF PLACEMENT	DESCRIPTION OF DAY	BEGIN TIME	END TIME
General Placement, no child in school	Alternating 1 week periods**	Friday, 6 p.m.	Friday, 6 p.m.
School Year, Parents reside in the same school district*	Alternating 1 week periods**	Friday, 6 p.m.	Friday, 6 p.m.
School Year, Parents reside in different school districts* <i>*when any one child in school</i>	Non-primary parent shall have placement on every other weekend	Friday, 6 p.m.	Sunday, 6 p.m.
Alternating Holidays – all children stay together	New Years Day Easter Day Memorial Day Weekend Independence Day Labor Day Weekend Thanksgiving Day	8 a.m. 8 a.m. Friday, 6 p.m. 8 a.m. Friday, 6 p.m. Thursday, 8 a.m.	8 p.m. 8 p.m. Monday, 7 p.m. 8 p.m. Monday, 7 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m.
Christmas Eve & Christmas Day – all children stay together	Alternate Christmas eve and Christmas day from year to year	Christmas Eve hours are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Dec. 24	Christmas Day hours start 9 p.m. on Dec. 24 to 8 p.m. on Dec. 25
Parent’s Day – all children stay together	Mother: Every Mother’s Day Father: Every Father’s Day	8 a.m. 8 a.m.	8 p.m. 8 p.m.
Children’s Birthdays – all children stay together	Alternate each child’s birthday each year	Summer 8 a.m. School 5 p.m.	8 p.m. 8 p.m.
School Holiday Vacations* <i>*when any one child in school</i>	Thanksgiving, Christmas, Easter, Spring Break (if any)	Each parent has 1/2 of total days—parent that has placement prior to vacation has 1 st one half of vacation	
Summer Placements* <i>*when any one child in school</i>	Parents reside in same school district	Alternating 2 week periods	
	Parents reside in different school districts	Non-primary parent has the first 4 weeks, then alternating 2 week periods	
Priority of Placements	Holiday, Christmas Eve and Day, parent’s days and birthday placements have precedence over general, school year, school holiday vacations, and summer placements.		
Flexibility and Reason	This schedule is a guideline. Parents are free to mutually agree to modify the schedule to fit their needs and the needs of the children. Parents should be flexible to meet each other’s needs as well as the needs of the children to participate in extracurricular activities (football, volleyball, band etc.). <i>The court will consider attempts to (1) rigidly enforce this schedule, or (2) repeatedly and unilaterally insist on deviations, without consideration of the other parent’s needs and the needs of the children, to be poor parenting and a violation of the spirit of this schedule.</i>		

Court: 04-05-02, Approved _____
 Judge Jon Counsell
 Clark FA 100-Placement Guidelines

**Parents may agree to an option of alternating monthly or alternating by school quarters. If they do, there shall be every other weekend placement with the other parent. If no option is selected, the default is alternate 1-week periods.