



Custody Agreement and Protection from Abuse Policy

As the parent/guardian of a student at The Hillside School, we request assistance with the following considerations regarding **custody agreements** and/or **protection from abuse (PFA) orders**. To maintain the care and safety of our entire school community, we strongly desire to enforce any court-issued orders pertaining to custody and protection from abuse.

If there is a Custody Order or a Protection from Abuse Order concerning your child, you must provide a copy of that order at the time of enrollment. Any and all orders will be placed in your child's permanent folder. Out of respect for all parties involved, this information will be kept confidential; however, we reserve the right to share the existence of any orders with select personnel on a need-to-know basis, i.e. classroom teacher, guidance staff, etc.

If there is no court ordered custodial or PFA agreement on file with the school office, we will strive to honor the rights and safety of all parties involved.

If any changes occur in a Custody Order or PFA Order issued by a court while your child is enrolled at The Hillside School, **you are responsible to provide a copy of the new order** to the Head of School. We cannot enforce a new order without a copy in our possession.

Questions or concerns regarding this policy should be directed to Donna Henry, Head of School at 610-967-3701 or dhenry@hillsideschool.org.

By signing below, I am stating that at this time there are* ____ / are not ____ any court-ordered Custody or Protection from Abuse Orders for the named student.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

Name of Student

Grade

***Please include a copy of any and all Custody or Protection from Abuse Orders with this signed form.**