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CLERK CIRCUIT COURT
LEON COUNTY FLORIDA

IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF JUDGE

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 95-12

IN RE: DIVORCE CLASS FOR CHILDREN

WHEREAS there is a need to identify and assist children whose parents are involved in the divorce process, and

WHEREAS the Leon County School System has agreed to make Guidance Counselors and school social workers available to implement a Divorce Class for Children, and

WHEREAS assisting children during the divorce process should help to provide a more stable post-divorce environment, it is therefore

ORDERED THAT

A Divorce Class for Children whose parents have filed for divorce in Leon County is hereby established The following procedures shall be followed to implement this program

1 DIVORCE CLASS FOR CHILDREN

A. In all

(1) Dissolution of Marriage actions involving one or more school-aged children,

(2) Modifications of Final Judgments involving shared parental responsibilities, custody, or visitation,

the school-aged child(ren) shall be referred to the Guidance Counselor or Social Worker of the Leon County School(s) attended by the child(ren) The referral is made for the purpose of providing the child(ren) with

information about how to better cope with the changes occurring in the family, and information about additional resources available in the school and community.

B The Court referral shall be made by a form completed by each parent at the mandatory parenting class required by Administrative Order 92-8 If the parent objects to the Court referral of their child(ren), a hearing will be set for the Court to rule on the

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objection

C The Court may, by separate Order, refer the child(ren) affected by an Enforcement or Paternity action involving shared parental responsibilities, custody, visitation or any other issue involving the child(ren) to the Guidance Counselor or Social Worker of the school(s) attended by the child(ren)

D All parents of the child(ren) referred under the provisions of this Administrative Order shall file proof of compliance with the Court prior to the entry of the Final Judgment or Order Modifying the Final Judgment

2 EXCEPTIONS:

Any party may apply to the Court for a waiver of the provisions of paragraph 1 for good cause shown Good cause shall include proof that the child(ren) are currently attending therapy sessions which have addressed the same issues as are set out in paragraph 1

3 SANCTIONS:

Any party who fails to comply with this Administrative Order shall be sanctioned as the Court deems appropriate under the circumstances

4 EFFECTIVE DATE

This Administrative Order shall have an effective date of August 1, 1995

DONE and ORDERED this 7th day of July, 1995

GEORGE S REYNOLDS, III
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE
FAMILY LAW DIVISION

PHILIP PADOVANO
CHIEF JUDGE

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