

# **Memorandum**

**To:** Domestic Relations Court Parties

**From:** Barbara Schneider Carter, Administrative Judge

**Date:** July 13, 2020

**Re: Mandatory Parent Education Online Class Now Available**

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Pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code and Butler County Local Rule DR 5, both plaintiff and defendant are required to attend the Mandatory Parent Education Class. Parties are now able to complete an interactive online class to fulfill this requirement. Effective July 13, 2020, Forensic Evaluation Services Center (513-869-4014) will be scheduling two separate, two hour live classes using a video learning platform as an alternative to face-to-face classes.

To schedule the Mandatory Parent Education Class, participants may call the **Forensic Evaluation Services Center at (513) 869-4014, email the center at [parentingclass@fesc-oh.org](mailto:parentingclass@fesc-oh.org), or complete the online form at <https://fesc-oh.org/parenting-class-registration>. Parties must register for the classes within **fifteen (15)** days of the filing of the complaint or petition with the Clerk of Courts. Each party must complete the online classes within **forty-five (45)** days from the date of filing. **All certificates of completion will be submitted to Domestic Relations Court by Forensic Evaluation Services Center.****

**The educational requirements MUST be completed prior to the final hearing.** The Court may refuse to hold a final hearing if either parent fails to complete a class. The Court may also deny parenting time or residential parent status to a parent who does not attend.

If you have any questions, please contact the Case Management office of the court, at 513-887-3100 option 2. Thank you for your attention to this matter.