

TransParentingSM

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The seminar emphasizes each parent's responsibility to provide a nurturing, non-threatening environment for the child. Topics include:

- ✓ Feelings associated with divorce
- ✓ Ways that children of different ages react during transition
- ✓ A parenting approach that will benefit your children
- ✓ Suggested ways for talking to children about divorce
- ✓ Other adjustments children will need to make

The course is taught by professionals who have experience with children and who have been specially trained to teach this course. This is an educational program and not a counseling session. Parents will not be expected to discuss personal problems.

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Seminar locations

VALPARAISO

Porter County Jail (Sheriff 's) Department
2755 State Road 49, Valparaiso, IN 46383

From Hwy 20, 94 or 30 turn south onto the 49 by-pass. Go approximately 1/2 mile past Hwy 30 and the station will be on the left.

From South Hwy 49 Look for the station before the first Valparaiso off ramp.

LAPORTE

Swanson Senior Center
910 State St., LaPorte, IN 46350

From West Take Route 6 East to Highway 2 East. Becomes Lincolnway. About 13 miles, turn left onto Madison Street.

From South Take 421 North, make right onto Highway 2 East. Becomes Lincolnway. About 13 miles, turn left onto Madison Street.

Plan to attend the 4 hour seminar, which you have selected. **No further notification will be given unless a conflict arises.**

After attending the seminar and making payment, each participant will receive a parent handbook and certificate of completion.

CHILD CARE IS NOT PROVIDED.

Do not bring children to the seminar

Children's rights during divorce and separation

"I have the right..."

- ✓ To be told that my mother and my father will always love me.
- ✓ To be told that the family break-up is not my fault.
- ✓ To be seen as a human being not a piece of property to be fought for or bargained over.
- ✓ To have decisions about me based on what is in my best interest and not on my parents' hurt feelings or needs.
- ✓ To love both my father and my mother without being forced to choose between them or made to feel guilty.
- ✓ To know both my mother and my father through regular and frequent involvement in my life.
- ✓ To have the financial support of both my mother and my father.
- ✓ To be spared from hearing hurtful or negative comments about either of my parents.
- ✓ To be a child and not asked to lie, spy or send messages between parents.
- ✓ To be allowed to show affection for new people who come into my life without feeling guilty.

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Registration

Pre-registration is required. No walk-ins. Just fill out the registration form below, detach and **mail** this form along with a \$50 money order (no checks) to Family Focus, Inc., 660 Morthland Dr., Ste. A, Valparaiso, IN 46385.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP CODE _____

PHONE: HOME AND WORK _____

CAUSE # _____

ATTORNEY _____ CITY _____

SEMINAR DATE _____

I prefer **not** to attend the same seminar as my former spouse. Please notify me if he/she is registered for the same class.

PRINT FORMER SPOUSE'S NAME IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO ATTEND THE SAME CLASS.

I have enclosed \$50 (per parent) payable to Family Focus, Inc. **We do not accept personal checks.**

Please mail registration form with payment as soon as possible.

Class begins promptly. Tardiness may cause you to retake the entire class.

CLASS SCHEDULE for 2012

Sessions begin on time. No one will be allowed in late.

Month	Date	Day	Time	Place
January	7	Sat	9 am to 1 pm	Valparaiso
January	17	Tues	6 pm to 10 pm	LaPorte
February	2	Thurs	6 pm to 10 pm	Valparaiso
February	18	Sat	9 am to 1 pm	LaPorte
March	6	Tues	6 pm to 10 pm	LaPorte
March	24	Sat	9 am to 1 pm	Valparaiso
April	5	Thurs	6 pm to 10 pm	Valparaiso
May	1	Tues	6 pm to 10 pm	LaPorte
May	19	Sat	9 am to 1 pm	Valparaiso
May	31	Thurs	6 pm to 10 pm	LaPorte
June	12	Tues	6 pm to 10 pm	Valparaiso
June	30	Sat	9 am to 1 pm	LaPorte
July	14	Sat	9 am to 1 pm	Valparaiso
July	26	Thurs	6 pm to 10 pm	LaPorte
August	7	Tues	6 pm to 10 pm	Valparaiso
August	25	Sat	9 am to 1 pm	LaPorte
September	8	Sat	9 am to 1 pm	Valparaiso
September	20	Thurs	6 pm to 10 pm	LaPorte
October	2	Tues	6 pm to 10 pm	Valparaiso
October	20	Sat	9 am to 1 pm	LaPorte
November	3	Sat	9 am to 1 pm	Valparaiso
November	15	Thurs	6 pm to 10 pm	LaPorte
November	27	Tues	6 pm to 10 pm	Valparaiso
December	15	Sat	9 am to 1 pm	LaPorte
December	20	Thurs	6 pm to 10 pm	Valparaiso

Registration form and locations are listed inside.



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Registration Form Enclosed
See Back of Brochure for Dates

