

Custody Advice for a New School Year



A Smooth Transition Back into the Classroom

It's that time of year again—back to school! As parents, we all have different concerns and strategies when it comes to getting our kids ready for a new school year. One topic that often arises is child custody during the back to school season. How should you approach custody during this time? What are the dos and don'ts? Read on for our advice!

The Dos

One of the first things you will want to make sure is that you have a current custody agreement in place. If you don't, now is the time to sit down with your ex and hammer out the details. You definitely want to avoid scrambling at the last minute trying to figure out who gets the kids when.

You should also talk with your kids about their schedule for the upcoming year. Go over any changes that will be happening (new school, new after-school activities, etc.) and make sure they understand what their schedule will look like. This will help them feel prepared and avoid any confusion later on.

The Don'ts

With every thing you should do come certain things you should *avoid* doing. For example, don't make any unilateral decisions about custody without first consulting with your ex. Even if you

think it's a minor change, it's always best to run it by the other parent first. This will help avoid any arguments or misunderstandings down the road.

Also, don't wait until the last minute to discuss custody with your ex. If you wait until just before school starts, you're likely to end up in a stressful situation. Try to have a conversation about it at least a few weeks in advance so that you can both plan accordingly.

Getting Help

If you need help with child custody matters leading into the school year, don't hesitate to reach out to a family law attorney who can help. The team at Sullivan Law & Associates cares about helping children succeed, and we can help work through issues related to child custody to ensure they start the school year off on the right foot.

Learn more or schedule a consultation by calling (949) 565-2793 or by [visiting our website](#).