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PARENTING TIME Practice (Holidays)	OTTAWA COUNTY FRIEND OF THE COURT Practices/Procedures	No. 3.001b April 2013 Revised: November 2013 Revised: February 2014 Revised: January 2017 Revised: May 19, 2021 Revised: September 30, 2021 Revised: January 31, 2023
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The Friend of the Court Policy regarding Holiday parenting time is as follows:

The Following each parenting time section, in parentheses, is an identified number of overnights used in the calculation of child support under the 2013 Michigan Child Support Formula. This number does not change the meaning of the written text in each section of the policy. For example, IV. Easter Weekend extends from Friday until Sunday which allows for overnight parenting time on Friday and Saturday. For child support calculation purposes, however, this weekend is counted as “(0 overnights)” because this weekend is credited elsewhere in the policy.

Holiday Parenting Time Schedule (average 12 overnights each parent)

Holiday parenting time takes precedence over the regular parenting time schedule (Regular parenting time shall occur up until holiday parenting time begins and then at the conclusion of holiday parenting time, regular parenting time shall resume). The following holidays should be exercised with the times given below:

Mother in Odd Numbered Years/Father in Even Numbered Years

- Easter Weekend Friday at 6:00 p.m. to Sunday at 6:00 p.m. **(0 overnights)**
- Independence Day July 03 at 6:00 p.m. until July 05 at 9:00 a.m. **(2 overnights)**
- Thanksgiving Day Weekend Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. until Sunday at 6:00 p.m. **(2 overnights)**
- Spring Break (Parenting time shall commence at 6:00 p.m. the day school recesses and end at 6:00 p.m. the day before school resumes.) **(7 overnights for CS calculation purposes only...see above paragraph)**

Mother in Even Numbered Years/Father in Odd Numbered Years

- Memorial Day Weekend Friday at 6:00 p.m. until Monday at 6:00 p.m. **(1 overnight)**
- Labor Day Weekend Friday at 6:00 p.m. until Monday at 6:00 p.m. **(1 overnight)**
- Children's Birthdays 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. non-school day and 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on school day **(Unless it conflicts with any other parenting time spelled out in this policy. In that case, the parenting time defined within this policy shall take precedence).**

Every Year

- Mother's Day Weekend to the mother from Friday at 6:00 p.m. until Sunday at 6:00 p.m. **(0 overnights)**
- Father's Day Weekend to the father from Friday at 6:00 p.m. until Sunday at 6:00 p.m. **(0 overnights)**

Christmas Break **(approximately 14 overnights total)**

The parties shall share the Christmas Break equally. If they are unable to agree they shall follow the annual Friend of the Court Holiday Calendar for the children's school district. This calendar shall be posted on the Friend of the Court web site each year by September 15.

- Christmas break shall be defined by the FOC as beginning at 6:00 p.m. the day school recesses and ending at 6:00 p.m. the day before school resumes.
- If the parties are following the FOC Calendar, the intent will be that mom will have the first portion and dad the second portion in even years and dad will have the first portion and mom the second portion in odd years. The specific days and times will be defined on the FOC web site by September 15 of each year.