

Frequently Asked

Q. Do I need to register for the sessions?

A. No. Just arrive at one of the sessions 10-15 minutes early to fill out paperwork.

Q. What happens if I show up late to the session?

A. Participants will not be given credit for session if they arrive more than 10 minutes late.

Q. Will I receive proof that I attended the session?

A. The adult attendance registration sheet that you receive at the session will serve as your record of completion.

Q. When will the courts be notified of my attendance completion?

A. Noble County participants papers will be sent to the Noble County courts within 2 weeks. Participants who file their divorce outside of Noble County will be responsible for delivering their own record of completion to the appropriate parties.

Q. How will I know if a session is cancelled?

A. Holidays and holiday weekends, there will be no session. If school is closed due to inclement weather there will be no session. Listen to WAWK for cancellations.

Q. What should I bring with me to the session?

A. Picture ID and payment.

Q. If I file outside of Noble County, how do I pay for the session?

A. Sessions are \$20 per person in cash, check, or money order and must be given to the facilitator at the time of the session for those filing outside of Noble County in order to receive credit for attending.

Q. Can I attend with my soon-to-be ex-spouse?

A. You may attend the same session as your soon-to-be ex, however a respectful attitude is expected from all participants.

Q. What should I do if my family needs further help?

A. Ask the facilitator for additional resources.

For more information about the sessions:

In Kendallville please call:

260-347-2032 ext.12016

In Ligonier please call:

West Noble School Corporation

260-894-3191 ext. 2012

*****NOTE*****

In case of inclement weather, a weekday session will be canceled if the school corporation where the meeting would have been held, cancels for the day. On Saturday, listen to radio station WAWK AM 1140 for updates.

HELPING CHILDREN SUCCEED AFTER DIVORCE



SEMINARS FOR PARENTS AND CHILDREN

As required by the Noble County
Superior and Circuit Courts

Parents Are Forever

Divorce is a very stressful experience for parents and children. Although spouses may decide to end their marriage, their children will always need both their parents to be part of their lives.

These two-hour seminars will focus on how parents can avoid damaging their children during and after their divorce, and how children can learn to cope with the changes that are taking place in their family.

Topics Include

Adults—

- ♦ The experience of divorce for adults
- ♦ How children react to divorce
- ♦ How parents can help their children deal with divorce
- ♦ Building a parental relationship with your former spouse after divorce
- ♦ Help in dealing with the children's problem caused by the divorce

Children—

- ♦ Dealing with different feelings a child may be experiencing
- ♦ Understanding divorce is not their fault
- ♦ Sharing experiences and feelings with other children from divorce
- ♦ Opportunity to talk with a counselor about concerns, fears, etc.

Who Must Attend:

By local rule of Noble County Circuit & Superior Courts:

- ♦ **All** parents of minor children who are seeking a divorce or legal separation must attend **one** of these sessions.
- ♦ Each of the parties' children, ages 6 thru 17 years, **must** attend one of the children's sessions.

WHO MAY ATTEND:

- ♦ Grandparents
- ♦ Teachers
- ♦ Adult children of divorced parents
- ♦ Stepparents
- ♦ Other interested parties

Fees

There is a **\$20.00 fee** to participants attending whose divorce is filed outside of Noble County. **Payment is required the day of the session.** Please make your check or money order **payable to the Community Foundation of Noble County.** Participants whose divorce is filed in the Noble County Court System are free of charge.

The Noble County Court will be notified by the moderator of those participants who complete the entire session and the seminar evaluation forms.

PLEASE ARRIVE 15 MINUTES BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED SESSION TO SIGN IN, RECEIVE MATERIALS AND COMPLETE FORMS

Times and Locations

Adult only sessions:

- ♦ **2nd Tuesday of every month at Ligonier Police Dept.**
301 S. Cavin Street
6:00 PM — 8:00 PM
- ♦ **3rd Saturday of every month Kendallville Library,**
221 S. Park Avenue
1:00 PM — 3:00 PM

NOTE: Participants may not bring children to sessions for adults only.

Concurrent sessions for Adults and Children:

- ♦ **1st Saturday of every month at West Noble Middle School**
9:30 AM — 11:30 AM
- ♦ **3rd Thursday of every month at Kendallville Library,**
221 S. Park Avenue
6:00 PM — 8:00 PM

***If a session falls on a holiday or a holiday weekend, there will be no class.**

The parent taking a child to the child's session must remain in the building where the session is being held as long as the child is in attendance at the session.

Please do not bring children under the age of 6 to the children's sessions.