

**SUMMARY OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 5.1120(E)
ORDER AND NOTICE FOR PARENT EDUCATION
AND FAMILY STABILIZATION COURSE**

This summary has been prepared to help parties involved in certain types of family cases involving children understand what is required of them by the law and the administrative order. A copy of the complete administrative order is available from the Clerk's Office or online at www.circuit8.org , under Circuit Information, then Administrative Orders, then Family.

1. Both parties must attend a parent education and family stabilization course in the following types of cases:
 - a. Dissolution of marriage (divorce) where minor children are involved
 - b. Paternity actions involving issues of parental responsibility
 - c. Actions to modify (change) visitation
 - d. Actions to modify (change) primary parental responsibility
2. For dissolution actions, all petitioners required to complete the parenting course must do so within 45 days after filing the petition and all other parties must complete the course within 45 days after service of the petition.
3. For paternity actions, petitioners must complete the course within 45 days after filing the petition and all other parties must complete the course within 45 days after an acknowledgment of paternity by that party, an adjudication of paternity of that party, or an order granting visitation to, or support from, that party.
4. The parties may attend separate courses.
5. The fee for the course is \$40.00 for each person. Either party may request that the Court reduce the fee to \$5.00 based on the party's financial affidavit of indigence.
6. All parties must file a certificate of completion with the court before the entry of the final judgment.