

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF POLK COUNTY, MISSOURI
FAMILY COURT DIVISION**

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS NOTICE

1. Pursuant to Local Rule 68.6(1), if you are a party to an action that involves at least one child of the parties under the age of eighteen, YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that both parents of such child or children are required to attend a court-approved educational session on the possible detrimental effects of court actions on children and how to avoid these negative effects. Your attendance is **MANDATORY** and may be waived only by the Judge assigned to your case.

These educational programs are developed and run by private providers. They are **not** Court programs, but are Court approved. You are only required to attend ONE class from the list below. There is a COST for these classes and you must contact the provider directly. More information on classes is available at www.polkcountymocourts.com under “Children First” and “Kids First.”

The following education programs have been approved by the Court:

CHILDREN FIRST

www.burrellcenter.com

KIDS FIRST

www.kidsfirstmo.org

2. Pursuant to Local Rule 68.6(2), YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that as a party to a family law action in Polk County, you are required to attend an educational program on Alternative Dispute Resolution(ADR). This class is a Court program and there is NO CHARGE for your attendance. Your attendance is **MANDATORY** if your case is contested and may be waived only by the Judge assigned to your case.

Information regarding the class is available at www.polkcountymocourts.com under “**ADR Class Dates.**” Public access to this website is available at the Circuit Clerk’s office, Polk County Courthouse.