## PARENT ORIENTATION CLASS

TEHAMA COUNTY FAMILY COURT SERVICES 1740 Walnut Street, Family Court Services Office Red Bluff, CA 530-528-7608

Per California Rules of Court 5.210(d) (1) (b), all cases concerning custody and/or visitation of children, must attend a Mediation orientation. PARENT ORIENTATION IS MANDATORY, CLASSES ARE MONDAYS ONLY from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. in the Family Court Services office.

> (NOTE: No class on MONDAY HOLIDAYS) Classes for 2021 Monday, July 12, 26 Monday, August 9, 23 Monday, September 13, 27 Monday, October 4, 18 Monday, November 1, 15 Monday, December 6, 20

What is Parent Orientation? Parent Orientation is a program designed to teach parents about children's developmental stages and how they impact parenting plans. Time is also spent discussing conflict resolution, effective methods to "co-parent," and Tehama County Superior Court's model for mediation, using a child custody recommending counselor (CCRC). Both parties should attend the class prior to participation in mediation. Parties may attend on separate days. There is no fee for this class. You will receive a Certificate of Completion after you have completed the class. Certificates are good for 2 years.

## Do children attend orientation or appointment at Family Court

**Services?** Children should not attend orientation. This class is for the parents only. Unless requested otherwise, please **do not bring** the child(ren) to your appointment at Family Court Services.

## What if I can't complete the Parent Orientation class? If this

occurs, it is important that you still appear at your mediation date, and at your Court hearing. However, you should be prepared to provide an explanation to the judge why you did not complete the parent orientation.

Note: You will need to bring your case number and a pen for filling out forms.

I have been referred to mediation at my hearing today, what do I need to do now?

- 1. Go immediately to Family Court Services in the Family Court Services office on the first floor, complete your intake form and schedule an appointment.
- Plan to attend the Parent Orientation Class prior to your mediation appointment. (See class schedule information on the other side.) No appointment necessary – drop in.
- 3. Check out our website at www.tehamacourt.ca.gov