



CHILDREN’S RIGHTS POLICY

1. Children will have the freedom to express their individual thoughts and cultural and religious practices.
2. Children will have the right to a reasonable degree of privacy.
3. Children have the right to have their opinions heard and considered.
4. Children have the right to appropriate adult guidance, support and supervision.
5. Children have the right to be free from physical abuse, sexual abuse, and neglect.
6. Children have the right to medical care.
7. Children have the right to adequate food, clothing, clean and safe housing and surroundings.
8. Children have the right to participate in an educational program.
9. Children have the right to communicate with significant others (parents, guardians, caseworkers, attorneys, therapists, doctors, religious advisors and probation officers).

The following rights may be limited or restricted:

1. Access to letter writing and assistance to do so.
2. Access to making phone calls or receiving phone calls.
3. Opportunities to meet with visitors.
4. Wearing of own clothes, having personal possessions and spending own money.
5. Receiving and sending sealed correspondence.

For the above limitations/restrictions the following plans will be in place:

--the plan for how and when to limit phone calls and letters (to be determined by the youth’s treatment team.)

--the plan for regular visits outside the facility (to be determined by the youth’s treatment team.)

--the plan for extenuating or emergency situations affecting child/family (to be determined by the youth’s treatment team.)

Any restriction/limitation of child’s rights will be documented in writing in the child’s placement folder.

Your signature indicates that you have read and understand these basic rights and agree to provide them to all children placed in your care.

Foster Parent Signature

Date