

Focus on Kids Parent Education Program  
Participant Evaluation

Thank you for participating in the Focus on Kids program. We hope it was helpful to you. Please answer the following questions as best as you can. There are no “right” answers. The information will be used for evaluating the program. DO NOT WRITE YOUR NAME ON THIS FORM. If there is anything you do not understand, please ask the instructor(s).

Today’s Date: \_\_\_\_\_ County and State where the case is filed: \_\_\_\_\_  
County State

County where this class was held: \_\_\_\_\_

For the following questions, please put the number that best matches how you feel in the blank after the statement, using this scale:

<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Unsure</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>

1. The information presented will influence the decisions I make regarding my children. \_\_\_\_\_
2. The program helped me think of new ways to resolve conflicts about the children with the child(ren)’s other parent. \_\_\_\_\_
3. The program offered helpful suggestions to support my children’s relationships with me and with their other parent. \_\_\_\_\_
4. The program provided useful ideas about reducing stress for children. \_\_\_\_\_
5. I think the program should be required for divorcing or separating parents. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Overall, the program was worthwhile. \_\_\_\_\_

Please **circle** the number for each statement below while thinking about your opinion both **Before** the program, and **After** the Focus on Kids program you completed today. (answer both “a” and “b”)

	Poor	Fair	Good	Very Good	Excellent
7. My understanding of how children are affected by divorce, separation, and not living with both parents					
a) <b>Before the program</b>	1	2	3	4	5
b) <b>After the program</b>	1	2	3	4	5
8. My understanding of the importance of developing a plan that provides opportunities for both parents to have relationships with the children.					
a) <b>Before the program</b>	1	2	3	4	5
b) <b>After the program</b>	1	2	3	4	5
9. My understanding of the benefits to my children if their other parent and I cooperate.					
a) <b>Before the program</b>	1	2	3	4	5
b) <b>After the program</b>	1	2	3	4	5
10. My understanding that children have different needs during a divorce than divorcing parents.					
a) <b>Before the program</b>	1	2	3	4	5
b) <b>After the program</b>	1	2	3	4	5

<b>Now that I have completed the Focus on Kids program I plan to...</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Unsure</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>
11. Avoid arguing/fighting with my children's other parent in front of the children.	1	2	3	4	5
12. Avoid questioning my children about their other parent's finances.	1	2	3	4	5
13. Avoid questioning my children about their other parent's relationships.	1	2	3	4	5
14. Avoid saying negative things about my children's other parent in front of them.	1	2	3	4	5
15. Make a stronger effort to work with the other parent for the children's sake	1	2	3	4	5
<b>Before the Focus on Kids program today I already did...</b>					
16. Avoid arguing/fighting with my children's other parent in front of the children.	1	2	3	4	5
17. Avoid questioning my children about their other parent's finances.	1	2	3	4	5
18. Avoid questioning my children about their other parent's relationships.	1	2	3	4	5
19. Avoid saying negative things about my children's other parent in front of them.	1	2	3	4	5
20. Make an effort to work with the other parent for the children's sake	1	2	3	4	5

**The following questions ask about your children and living arrangements.**

21. How long did you live with your child's other parent? \_\_\_ Years ("0" if you never lived together)
22. Are you sharing a residence with your child(ren)'s other parent now? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No
23. Including this marriage (if applicable), how many times have you been married? \_\_\_\_\_ times
24. Did your parents divorce/permanently separate before you were age 18? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No
25. How many children/stepchildren do you have:
- a. \_\_\_ Under the age of 2 years?
  - b. \_\_\_ 2 through 6 years old?
  - c. \_\_\_ 7 through 10 years old?
  - d. \_\_\_ 11 through 14 years old?
  - e. \_\_\_ 15 through 18 years old?
  - f. \_\_\_ Over 18 years old?
  - g. \_\_\_ currently pregnant (or spouse/partner is pregnant?)
26. Please describe your child/children's living arrangements:
- a. \_\_\_ All the children live with mother MOST/ALL of the time
  - b. \_\_\_ All the children live with father MOST/ALL of the time
  - c. \_\_\_ The time between parents is equally shared
  - d. \_\_\_ The children are split in their primary living arrangement, such as 2 with one parent and 1 with the other parent, etc.
  - e. \_\_\_ Other (Please describe \_\_\_\_\_)
27. The last time I had contact with my child(ren) was:
- a. \_\_\_ Today
  - b. \_\_\_ This past week
  - c. \_\_\_ This past month
  - d. \_\_\_ More than one month ago
28. Why were you required to attend the Focus on Kids program?
- a. \_\_\_ Wife filed for divorce.
  - b. \_\_\_ Husband filed for divorce.
  - c. \_\_\_ We filed for divorce.
  - d. \_\_\_ Female filed a motion to modify the custody agreement/judgment.
  - e. \_\_\_ Male filed a motion to modify the custody agreement/judgment.
  - f. \_\_\_ We each filed a motion to modify the custody agreement/judgment.
  - g. \_\_\_ I was not married, but am dealing with custody, visitation, or child support issues with my children's other parent
  - h. \_\_\_ Other (Please explain \_\_\_\_\_)
29. Have you attended Focus on Kids or another parent education program for divorcing/separating parents before? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No
30. Is Focus on Kids the first University of Missouri Extension program you have attended? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No
31. Have you attended mediation for this past relationship? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

32. What was the most helpful part of the Focus on Kids program?

33. What was the least helpful part of the Focus on Kids program?

34. Please write any additional comments you have about the Focus on Kids program

35. Would you recommend this program to anyone else? (circle one) 1. Yes 2. No 3. Unsure

36. Before I participated in this program, I had the following level of knowledge, skills, or understanding  
1. None 2. A little 3. Some 4. A lot 5. A great deal

37. After I participated in this program I have the following level of knowledge, skills, or understanding  
1. None 2. A little 3. Some 4. A lot 5. A great deal

**These final questions are about you:**

38. Age: \_\_\_\_\_ (years) 39. Sex: \_\_\_\_\_ Male or \_\_\_\_\_ Female

40. What is your ethnic background? Check one:

- a. \_\_\_\_\_ White or Caucasian d. \_\_\_\_\_ American Indian or Alaskan Native  
b. \_\_\_\_\_ Black or African-American e. \_\_\_\_\_ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander  
c. \_\_\_\_\_ Asian f. \_\_\_\_\_ Two or more races/Other

41. Are you Hispanic? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

42. Are you a Veteran? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

42a. Are you a member of the military? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

43. What is your work status?

- a. \_\_\_ Full-time b. \_\_\_ Part-time c. \_\_\_ Not working for pay d. \_\_\_ Student e. \_\_\_ Disabled

44. What is the **highest** level of education that you have? Check one:

- a. \_\_\_ Do not have high school diploma d. \_\_\_ 2-year college/Technical school degree  
b. \_\_\_ Completed high school or GED e. \_\_\_ 4-year college degree  
c. \_\_\_ Some college f. \_\_\_ Graduate degree (e.g., M.S., Ph.D., etc.)

45. What was **AND** is your **total gross household income** from all sources before taxes?

Please check one box for **BOTH** Before **AND** After separation/divorce

- | <b>Before separation/divorce</b> (check one) | <b>AND</b> | <b>After separation/divorce</b> (check one) |
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| a. ___ Below \$20,000                        |            | a. ___ Below \$20,000                       |
| b. ___ \$20,000-34,999                       |            | b. ___ \$20,000-34,999                      |
| c. ___ \$35,000-49,999                       |            | c. ___ \$35,000-49,999                      |
| d. ___ \$50,000-69,999                       |            | d. ___ \$50,000-69,999                      |
| e. ___ \$70,000-99,999                       |            | e. ___ \$70,000-99,999                      |
| f. ___ \$100,000 and over                    |            | f. ___ \$100,000 and over                   |

Thank you for your participation!