

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT, SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR PASCO AND PINELLAS COUNTIES, FLORIDA**

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2004-029 PA/PI-CIR

RE: GUARDIAN OF MINOR CHILD EDUCATION COURSE

Each ward, for whom a guardian has been appointed pursuant to Chapter 744, Florida Statutes, is entitled to a guardian competent to perform the duties of a guardian necessary to protect the interest of the ward; and

Sections 744.3145, Florida Statutes, requires that guardians of minor children complete certain education requirements; and

The court is aware of the need to provide guardians of minor children with an education course specific to their needs; and

The chief judge is required to approve and certify courses for guardians of minor children education which meet the requirements of said statute; and

In order to add a provider, it is

ORDERED

A. Guardian of Minor Child Education Course Requirements

1. A person who is appointed as guardian of the property of his or her minor child who is required to comply with the education requirement of Section 744.3145(3), Florida Statutes, shall be considered to have satisfied the education requirements by completing a minimum of 4 hours of instruction and training in an approved guardian of minor child education course.

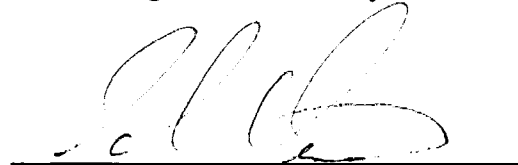
2. A guardian of minor child education course shall include topics required in Section 744.3145(3), Florida Statutes. Any person or organization seeking court approval to act as a provider of a guardian of minor child education course may submit the curriculum to the Administrative Office of the Courts, Probate Division (Program).

3. Upon completion of a guardian of minor child education course, the guardian shall file a certificate of completion from the course instructor in the guardianship court file.

B. Guardian Education Course Approval

1. The following course is approved for guardian of minor child education course:
 - a. Florida State Guardianship Association – 4 hour course “A Guardianship Training Manual for the Parents of a Minor”.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, Florida this 13th day of June 2004.



David A. Demers, Chief Judge

cc: All Judges
The Honorable Bernie McCabe, State Attorney
The Honorable Bob Dillinger, Public Defender
The Honorable Jed Pittman, Clerk of Court, Pasco County
The Honorable Karleen F. DeBlaker, Clerk of Court, Pinellas County
Gay Inskeep, Trial Courts Administrator
Carol Heath, Director, Court Services Division, Pinellas County Clerk's Office
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