

WHAT SHOULD I PREPARE FOR MY SOCIAL EARLY NEUTRAL EVALUATION PROCESS?

Please bring a picture of your child/children to the SENE session.

Each of the parties will be asked to tell the team members their “Story”. There is no right or wrong way to do this, but there are few things you should be sure to include:

1. **Background:**
 - a. Your relationship with the other party (how long knew each other, how long lived together, what led to the ending of the relationship, what are the positive attributes of the other party that first led you to getting together?)
 - b. Living arrangements (where you live, with who, how long, where do the kids stay if they are there? How are the kids doing at your house?)
 - c. Work (where, how long, what is your job, what are your hours, do you have flexibility in the schedule when a child is sick, etc)

2. **Your child(ren)**
 - a. personality
 - b. day to day routines (bedtimes/nap/meals, etc.)
 - c. daycare/school schedules
 - d. other activities (sports, extracurriculars)
 - e. religion
 - f. child care arrangements

3. **Your Goals**
 - a. What are you proposing? (specifics of times/days/etc.)
 - b. Why is it important to you?
 - c. Why is that best for child(ren)?
 - d. If you know other party’s proposal, what doesn’t work regarding that proposal?
 - e. What good parenting skills does the other parent have?
 - f. What good parenting skills do you have?
 - f. How does your proposal help the children get enough time with each parent?

4. **Holidays/vacation time**
 - a. What is important?
 - b. What is your proposal?
 - C. Why is it best for child(ren)?
 - D. How does it encourage time for the child(ren) with the other parent?