



Hurray for May!

May is Supervised Visitation Awareness Month

Supervised Visitation FAQs

What is a Supervised Visitation Center?

A supervised visitation center is a safe place for parents and children to reconnect. When there are concerns about the child's safety or well-being, a visitation center can be used to reconnect safely while being monitored. Supervised visitation centers also provide safe exchanges. Exchanges can be used when there are no safety concerns for the child, but there is high conflict between parents. Visitation centers provide a safe and neutral location for exchanges where the parents do not interact and the child will not witness any inappropriate or damaging interactions.

Why can't a friend just supervise the visit?

A well-trained monitor must balance emotional and physical safety while providing a non-judgmental, empathetic environment. It would be difficult for a friend (or family member) to be non-judgmental and impartial. Visitation monitors simply narrate facts and ensure the child is safe. No thoughts, comments, opinions, or recommendations are ever given.

What if the parents live too far away from each other?

Some visitation centers offer virtual visitation or monitored phone calls. Virtual visitation is usually conducted using a video app like Skype or Zoom. Different settings are enabled or disabled to make the app as secure and safe as possible. While this is not the same as an in person visit, it does allow parents and children to chat through video and try to reconnect. Phone calls are monitored conference calls between a parent and child. Virtual visitation and phone calls are usually much shorter than regular visitation since it is difficult to interact through a phone or screen for a long period of time and children get restless.

Overview of RCFC Services

Supervised Visitation: Family Connections provides a safe, home-like center for children in high conflict families to establish and rebuild healthy relationships. Supervised visitation can be provided in cases where there is documented or suspected sexual, physical, or emotional abuse.

Safe Exchanges: Family Connections provides a safe place for parents to drop off and pick up their children without parent conflict. Exchanges can be used specifically in cases where there may be a history of domestic abuse, harassment, or any other kind of stressful environment.

Virtual Visitation: Virtual Visitation is available to most families and allows for a safe space for parents to virtually see their children. Monitors supervise parental access through video calling on platforms such as Zoom. Zoom is a virtual, cloud-based video conferencing service that allows people to connect with one another. There is no need to create an account and the Zoom service is free of charge.

Other information:

Hours:

- Monday: 8:30-5
- Tuesday-Thursday: 8:30-8
- Friday: 8:30-5
- Sunday: 12:00-6

Fees:

- Intake fee: \$35 Cash or Check
- Visitation/Exchange Fees: Fees may be income based if scholarships are available. This will be discussed at the time of the intake.

[Visit our website](#)



Wear Orange May 26th!

Join us in wearing orange on May 26th! May 26th is Global Supervised Visitation Awareness Day. Show your support by wearing orange. You can post your photo and tag us on Facebook or use hashtags #rcfc #goorange #wearorange #svworld

Common Sense Parenting Class

Remember to register for any of our 2022 Common Sense Parenting class Sessions! These classes are for all parents and are completely free! Session 3 is currently taking place. Call us to get registered for one of the upcoming sessions.

These classes help parents:

- Build strong, healthy relationships
- Correct and change problem behavior
- Minimize problems that disrupt family life
- Raise responsible, caring children
- Communicate effectively
- Avoid power struggles
- Control your emotions
- Balance discipline with affection
- Praise a child's good behavior

[More Information Here!](#)

COMMON SENSE PARENTING
2022 SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

Session 1: January 4- February 8	Session 4: June 21- July 26
Session 2: March 1-April 5	Session 5: August 16- September 20
Session 3: April 26- May 31	Session 6: October 11- November 15

TO REGISTER, PLEASE CALL:
#605.665.1204

- Classes will take place each Tuesday from 6:00-8:00 PM
- Child care is not provided, so please make arrangements.
- Pre-registration is required.
- Classes will take place at Trinity Lutheran Church, 403 Broadway Ave.

Family Fun Day
August 13th 11-1pm
The Lawn at the

RIVER CITY FAMILY CONNECTIONS

Save the Date

FREE Annual Family Fun Day!

📍 The Lawn at Meridian Bridge, Yankton SD
August 13, 2022 at 11-1 PM



Meridian Bridge

Make sure you save the date! River City Family Connections is having our annual Family Fun Day in August. Join us August 13th from 11-1pm at The Lawn at the Meridian Bridge. This is free for all families. Stay tuned to our website, social media, and newsletters for more information on what this day will include.

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