

## EXHIBIT 1

### VARIABLE EXPENSE-\_\_\_\_\_

#### Variable Expenses

1) Basic Support Costs. Each party is responsible for basic support costs for the minor children when they are in their care, as defined by DCF 150.02(3). Basic support costs include food, clothing, shelter, transportation, personal care, and incidental recreational costs. In addition to the basic needs defined above, each party shall be solely responsible for the following expenses he or she may incur on behalf of the children:

- a. Groceries and meals, including any meals outside the home, during his or her respective periods of placement;
- b. Vacation expenses;
- c. Entertainment that parent participates in with the children during his or her periods of placement, or entertainment expenses the minor children incur with friends during a parent's periods of physical placement, i.e. movies, skating, etc.
- d. Gifts to the children, whether for birthdays, holidays, or any other reason, unless the parents mutually agree to share in the cost of the gift.
- e. Any allowance he or she may decide to give to the minor children.

2) Other Variable Expenses: The parties shall be equally responsible for the variable expenses for the minor children. Variable expenses shall be as set forth below and as defined in DCF 150.02(29).

## Definitions

For purposes of this agreement, "variable costs" shall include the following items that are checked:

### 1. CHILD CARE

- Day Care

### 2. TRANSPORTATION

- Driver's Education
- Auto Insurance for child(ren)
- Kids' car payments
- Kids' maintenance and repairs
- Bicycles
- Bus passes
- Registration fee
- Ownership of kids' vehicle

### 3. RECURRING SCHOOL ITEMS

- School pictures
- School supplies
- School fees
- School lunches
- Class trips
- Tutoring fees
- School related activities fees
- Sports through school including fees, shoes, uniforms, gear, fundraising requirements, hosting team meals, etc.

### 4. OTHER SCHOOL RELATED COSTS

- Year books
- Letter jackets
- Class rings
- High school graduation expenses
- Costs of college search-application fees travel
- College prep classes tests, ACT, PSAT, SAT, etc.
- Class trips
- Prom clothing
- Formal dancewear (tickets, flowers)
- Limo for prom

### 5. CLOTHING

- Winter coats
- Boots

- School uniforms
- Jewelry
- Shoes

#### 6. ACTIVITIES/RECREATION

- Extracurricular activities that are not school related: equipment, uniforms, instruments, fundraising obligations, shoes, hosting meals, etc. that are required for the activity.
- Residential summer camp
- Club/traveling team sports, membership fees
- Hunter safety courses
- Music lessons
- Dance lessons
- YMCA or other gym memberships, fitness membership
- Art/craft supplies

#### 7. GENERAL LIFESTYLE

- Haircuts/styling
- Allowances
- Holiday/birthday/child's gifts to others
- Cell phones
- Classes-art, life guarding, etc.
- Ipad/tablet
- Computers and software
- Luggage/Backpacks
- Camera
- Computer accessories and hardware
- Game players and software
- Birthday/graduation parties for child

The parties shall exchange receipts or documentation of variable costs on a monthly basis by the 5<sup>th</sup> day of the following month. After reconciling their respective cost responsibilities, the parent who spent less shall reimburse the other parent within thirty (30) days of the receipt exchange. Any variable costs not exchanged within 60 days of being incurred shall be forever exempt from reimbursement from the other parent. However, any expense in excess of \$100.00 shall be mutually agreed upon by the parties in writing, prior to the purchase, or the paying party waives the right to reimbursement. A party shall not be required to contribute to an expense for which their responsibility will be equal to or greater than \$100.00 unless he or she has agreed in writing to incur the expense. Agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld. Reimbursement must be requested within 180 days of a parent's receipt of the invoice or shall be considered waived.

