



SANDCASTLES

A program to help children of divorcing parents in La Crosse County

WHAT IS SANDCASTLES?

The Sandcastles Program™, Helping the Children of Divorce Rebuild, began in Miami, Florida in 1994. M. Gary Neuman, a psychotherapist and certified family mediator with the Florida Supreme Court, created the program.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Children, ages 6 through 17, whose parents have divorce proceedings in La Crosse County. Please notify Coordinator if there are any special needs, allergies, or accommodations for your child.

WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF THE PROGRAM?

The curriculum of Sandcastles helps children see they are normal and not alone in their feelings. Through group discussions, videos, worksheets, plays, and role-playing, children learn skills to cope, to understand, and to talk about their feelings. Children also learn how to talk with their parents and ask questions. All materials created by youth are confidential and cannot be used in the divorce process. Parents are not allowed to take pictures of any material the children make.

WHAT IS THE FORMAT OF THE PROGRAM?

The Sandcastles course will be offered six times per year at the Family and Children's Center, 1707 Main Street, La Crosse. The children will work, according to age, in small groups led by two trained facilitators. Parents will join the groups for the final 15 minutes of the course. Please notify Coordinator if there are any protection/restraining orders in place. There will be snacks available for the children, if there are any food allergies please notify the Sandcastles Coordinator.

WHAT IS THE FEE FOR SANDCASTLES? HOW DO WE REGISTER?

The fee for participating in Sandcastles is \$65.00 for each child, \$130.00 maximum per family. ***To register, complete the form below and send it with the required fee payable to Family and Children's Center, or drop exact payment and registration form off at FCC Main Street location. No registrations will be accepted without the fee! Group size is limited! Early registration is strongly recommended.*** About one week prior to class, a confirmation letter will be sent to the parent the children reside with indicating the class date and time your child(ren) are registered to attend. Class times are range from 8:30am-12:00pm. Please contact Amanda Jalensky, Sandcastles Coordinator, at 608-785-0001 ext. 312 or email ajalensky@fccnetwork.org with questions.

CASE NO: _____	ORDER DATE: _____
Child No. 1 _____	Birthdate: _____ Age: _____
Child No. 2 _____	Birthdate: _____ Age: _____
Child No. 3 _____	Birthdate: _____ Age: _____
Child No. 4 _____	Birthdate: _____ Age: _____
Mother: _____	Father: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
_____	_____
Day time phone: (_____) - _____	Day time phone: (_____) - _____
Home phone: (_____) - _____	Home phone: (_____) - _____

Name of parent child/children currently reside with: _____

(This is where confirmation letters & information will be mailed)

Comments: _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ _____ DATE OF GROUP CHOICE: _____

PLEASE REMIT PAYMENT TO:

FAMILY & CHILDREN'S CENTER, 1707 MAIN STREET, LA CROSSE, WI. 54601. ATTN: SANDCASTLES