



PARENT RIGHTS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

Parents have important rights under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). These rights help families participate in decisions about their child's education and services.



PARENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

- Be involved in meetings and decisions about their child's education
- Receive information in their preferred language or communication method
- Give or refuse consent for evaluations and special education services
- Receive Prior Written Notice before the school proposes or refuses changes
- Review educational records and evaluation reports
- Request an Independent Educational Evaluation (IEE) if they disagree with the school's evaluation
- Ask questions and share concerns
- Disagree with decisions and use dispute resolution options, such as mediation or due process
- Receive procedural safeguards, which explain all legal rights and protections

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