

**EVALUATION:** You have the right:

- to a full, free and individual testing of your child' educational needs for purposes of evaluation and placement.
- to refuse permission for evaluation of your child to determine whether s/he is eligible for special education services
- to obtain an outside, independent evaluation if you disagree with the school's evaluation
- to have your child re-evaluated at least every three years if necessary

**THE IEP PROCESS:** You have the right:

- to participate in planning your child's IEP (the complete statement of all her/his special instruction and related services
- to state your opinions and make recommendations for special education services
- to review your child's IEP and progress toward goals at least once a year
- to request changes in your child's IEP
- to request an IEP meeting at any time

**WRITTEN NOTIFICATION:** You have the right:

- to be informed in writing, and in enough time to respond, of the school's plan for your child: to evaluate, to place in special education, to hold an IEP meeting, to change the IEP, or to stop special education services
- to be informed in your native language

**DUE PROCESS:** You have the right:

- to ask the school to discuss any disagreement about your child's identification, evaluation, IEP, or placement.

- to request an impartial hearing if you disagree with the school about your child's identification, evaluation, IEP, or placement.

**RECORDS:** You have the right:

- to see your child's school records at any time and to have copies made
- to know what kinds of records exist and where they are located
- to request that a record be explained, changed, or destroyed

**SPECIAL EDUCATION:** You have the right:

- to a free and appropriate public education (FAPE) for your child
- to know about all special education services
- to question or appeal the placement of your child in a special education class or service
- to other educational settings at public expense if a local school is not appropriate

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR RIGHTS, CALL US AT**

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## **PARENTS' RIGHTS CARD**

Although Public Law 108-446 (the Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004) guarantees that children with a disability will receive a "free, appropriate public education" in the public schools, a child's parents are responsible for protecting these rights.

**INFORMED AND INVOLVED PARENTS ARE A CHILD'S FIRST AND BEST ADVOCATE.**