

# WHAT ARE YOUR RIGHTS?

As parents of a child with a visual impairment, you have rights when it comes to your child's educational programming and educational placement, as well as evaluation and decision making.

- You have the right to get a free appropriate public education (FAPE) for your child.
- You have the right to accept or deny permission for evaluation and for services for your child.
- You have the right to request a re-evaluation for your child.
- You have the right to request an independent evaluation for your child, at public expense, if you disagree with the results of the school evaluation.
- You have the right to participate in both program and placement decisions concerning your child.
- You have the right to disagree with decisions made by the school concerning your child's program and placement.

- You have the right to participate in meetings concerning your child.
- You have the right to call on meetings with your child's education team at any time.
- You have the right to get involved in the development, review, and revision of your child's program.
- You have the right to review educational records and evaluation data of your child.
- You have the right to obtain copies of the educational records of your child.
- You have the right to receive prior written notice whenever the school proposes or refuses to change your child's program or placement.
- You have the right to receive a complete explanation of all the procedural safeguards available.
- You have a variety of procedural protections you can invoke when you disagree with educators.

**DON'T LET SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIONS  
DECIDE FOR YOU!**