

RIGHTS OF PARENTS

Parents of students with visual impairments have rights when it comes to developing, reviewing and revising their child's educational programming and educational placement, as well as participating in meetings and decision making.

- Parents have the right to get a free appropriate public education (FAPE) for their child.
- Parents have the right to accept or deny permission for evaluation and for services for their child.
- Parents have the right to request a re-evaluation for their child.
- Parents have the right to request an independent evaluation for their child, at public expense, if they disagree with the results of the school evaluation.
- Parents have the right to participate in both program and placement decisions concerning their child.
- Parents have the right to disagree with decisions made by the school concerning their child's program and placement.
- Parents have the right to participate in meetings concerning their child.
- Parents have the right to call on meetings at any time to discuss their child's education plan.
- Parents have the right to get involved in the development, review, and revision of their child's program.
- Parents have the right to review educational records and evaluation data of their child.
- Parents have the right to obtain copies of the educational records of their child.
- Parents have the right to receive prior written notice whenever the school proposes or refuses to change their child's program or placement.
- Parents have the right to receive a complete explanation of all the procedural safeguards available.
- Parents have a variety of procedural protections they can invoke when they disagree with educators.