

## Brief Explanation of Parental Rights

“By state and federal law, parents with children in Special Education are guaranteed certain rights, which are explained here. A few of those rights include:

- The right to receive a written notice of the IEP meeting in a reasonable amount of time before the meeting is held.
- The right to give or refuse consent for your child to be evaluated and/or placed in special education.
- The right to receive a copy of the IEP and MDT, and to review your child’s district special education file.
- The right to give or refuse consent for your child’s special education paperwork to be sent to officials outside of the district.
- The right to request an Independent Educational Evaluation if you disagree with the school’s evaluation.
- The right to request mediation, file a complaint with NDE, or request a Due Process Hearing if we are unable to come to an agreement on your child’s placement/services.

“If you have questions about your rights, you can get more information from the brochure and/or contact Allison Nields, DC West Special Education Director.”