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Parent Rights: Section 504--of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

You have the right to:

1. Have your child take part in and receive benefits from public education programs without discrimination.
2. Have the school district advise you of your rights under federal law.
3. Receive notice with respect to identification, evaluation, or placement of your child.
4. Have your child receive a free appropriate public education.
5. Have your child educated in facilities and receive services comparable to those provided for nonhandicapped students.
6. Have transportation provided to and from alternative placement at no greater cost to you than would be incurred if the student were placed in a program operated by the district.
7. Have your child given a equal opportunity to participate in nonacademic and extracurricular activities offered by the district.
8. Examine all relevant records relating to decisions regarding your child's identification, evaluation, educational program, and placement.
9. Obtain copies of educational records at a reasonable cost unless the fee would effectively deny you access to the records.
10. A response from the school district to reasonable requests for explanations and interpretations of your child's records.
11. Request an amendment of your child's educational records if there is reasonable cause to believe that they are inaccurate, misleading or otherwise violating the privacy rights of your child. If the district refuses this request for an amendment, it shall notify you within a reasonable time, and advise you of the right to a hearing.
12. Request mediation or an impartial due process hearing related to decisions or actions regarding your child's identification, evaluation, educational program or placement. You and the student take part in the hearing and may have an attorney represent you. Hearing requests should be made to the district 504 Coordinator.
13. Ask for payment of reasonable attorney fees if you are successful on your claim.
14. File a local grievance with the 504 District Supervisor, Mr. Jones.

Beth Foster is the District 504 Coordinator.

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