

# Know Your Rights:

## How to Become Involved in Your Child's School

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**It is important to be involved in your child's education.** Research shows that early and continued family involvement at home and school leads to improved student performance.

You have the right to:

- **Observe** your child's current classroom, school or school in which your child may wish to enroll
- **Meet** with your child's teacher(s) and principal
- **Volunteer** at your child's school
- **Be notified** if your child is absent without permission
- **Request** a particular school for your child. The school district doesn't have to grant the request.
- **A safe and supportive** school environment
- **Be informed** about your child's progress, whom to contact if your child is struggling, and to be notified immediately if your child is at risk of being held back
- **Question** anything in your child's record you feel is wrong and get a response from the school
- **Participate** in school and to help with the development of a policy that deals with curriculum and monitoring of student performance

You have the right to request and get the following information:

- Your child's **standardized test scores** and the school's overall performance
- Your child's **curriculum materials**
- The **school's records** on your child
- Academic **standards**
- School **rules** and disciplinary **policies**
- Any **psychological tests** performed on your child and the right to forbid any such tests

Parents and guardians of **English language learners** have the right to:

- Get their child's performance on the English language development test
- Get information in English and the language spoken at home
- Participate in school and district advisory meetings
- Get extra instructional materials to use at home

Parents can request translation from the district when needed. If 15% or more of the student population speak a language other than English, all materials must be translated to that language.

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