

## **Parental Rights/Procedural Safeguards**

## **Your Rights As Parents – Regarding Special Education**

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 34 C.F.R.§ 300 et seq. (IDEA), the federal law concerning the education of students with disabilities, requires schools to provide parents of a child with a disability with notice containing a full explanation of the procedural safeguards available under the IDEA and U.S. Department of Education regulations.

It is important that you understand the rights provided to you and your child with a disability. Our staff is available to assist you in understanding your rights and will provide further explanation of available procedures upon your request. If necessary, we will provide an interpreter or written translation to help you understand the information presented in the handbook. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact the special education department at your child's school or our central office at 706-236-5050.

## **Revocation of Consent for Special Education Services -**

Parents may revoke consent at any time, but it must be submitted in writing. Once revocation for consent is submitted in writing, the school system will meet with the parents and complete

prior written notice indicating the date the student will no longer receive special education and related services.

**Prior Written Notice** - When a parent/student revokes consent for special education services, the school and family must complete prior written notice. The date in the proposed change in action date section in the prior written notice form is the date when the student will no longer receive special education and related services.

## When consent is revoked,

- parent rights for special education end,
- rights to special education and related services end,
- special education disciplinary protections end,
- previous special education records or references remain,
- rights to FAPE end,
- future requests for evaluation follow initial evaluation procedures and the 60 day timeline.