



If my child/student has a disability, what are their legal rights and my parental rights?

School districts abide by Federal, State, and Local level laws, regulations, policies, and procedures. Child and parent rights are protected by laws which highlights:

- Disability is a natural part of human experience
- Presence of a disability does not diminish individual rights compared to peers and those rights are protected
- Equitable opportunities and full participation in a free and appropriate education
- Monitoring of the effectiveness of instructional efforts
- Self sufficiency and independent living.

Link to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) with additional guidance for families and parent rights~ [OSPI Parent Rights and Procedural Safeguards](#)

Special Education WAC and Federal IDEA "The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) of 2004 is the federal law that guarantees free appropriate public education (FAPE) is provided to eligible students with disabilities. The Washington state regulations on special education can be found in the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) Chapter 392-172A. Included below are the state and federal laws and regulations that provide the regulatory and statutory basis for special education services in Washington"

Link to Federal Law: [Individuals with Disabilities Education Act](#)

Washington Administrative Code (WAC) Chapter 392-172A WAC contains cross references to the federal regulations: [Rules for the Provision of Special Education](#)