



## *Parents Bill of Rights Act*

Parents have a God-given right to make decisions for their children. Unfortunately, many school districts have been ignoring the wishes of parents while special interest groups try to criminalize free speech. This list of rights will make clear to parents what their rights are and clear to schools what their duties to parents are.

### **1) Parents have the right to know what their children are being taught:**

- School districts must post curriculum publicly.
- States must provide the public a copy of any revisions to the state's academic standards or learning benchmarks.
- Parents must be given timely notice of any school's plan to eliminate gifted and talented programs.
- Schools must provide parents with a list of books and reading materials available in the school library.

### **2) Parents have the right to be heard:**

- Teachers must offer two in-person meetings with parents each year.
- Parents must be allowed to address the school board on issues impacting the education of children in the school district.
- Educators and policymakers must respect the First Amendment right of parents as well as their right to assemble and have a say in their child's education.
- School districts should consider community feedback when making decisions.

### **3) Parents have the right to see the school budget and spending:**

- There must be public disclosure of school district budgets and each school's budget, including revenues and expenditures.

### **4) Parents have the right to protect their child's privacy:**

- Schools must not share student data with tech companies without parental permission.
- Schools must not sell student data for commercial purposes.
- Parents must have a say when schools develop or update their student privacy policies and procedures.
- Parents must consent before any medical exam takes place at school, including mental health or substance use disorder screenings.

### **5) Parents have the right to keep their children safe:**

- Schools must notify parents of violent activity occurring on school grounds or at school-sponsored events while still protecting the privacy of the students involved in the incident.