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CHAPTER 6

Helping Your Child Be Successful in School

ALL SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN MAY ACCESS A FREE PUBLIC SCHOOL EDUCATION!

FAMILY AND STUDENT RIGHTS

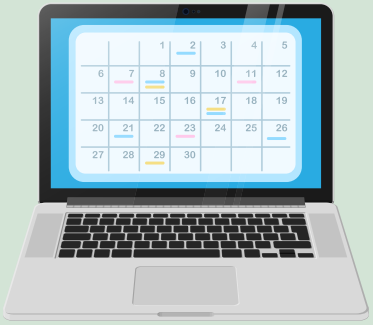
- Schools **must provide** information to ALL parents.
- Schools **must test** students in reading/language arts, mathematics, and science.
- Schools **must test** all English learners for English proficiency.
- Schools **must provide** accommodations on content and English language proficiency tests to English learners and students with disabilities.
- Schools **must provide** equal opportunities to ALL students to participate in curricular and extracurricular activities.
- Parents h**ave the right** to know how their child is doing in school.
- Parents **have the right** to contact school staff, receive their child's report cards, and attend parent-teacher conferences.
- Students **have the right** to be free of discrimination based on

Race | Color | National origin | Sex | Disability

For more information, please access the full version of the English Learner Family Toolkit.

Ask These Questions at Your Child's School!

- How can I contact my child's teacher(s)?
- Where can I access the school calendar?
- Is it translated into my home language?
- Does the school provide interpreters at school events?
- Can other family members attend school events?



- Can I volunteer at the school?
- How is my child doing in school?
- Is my child receiving help with learning English?
- What is the school's attendance policy?
- Will my child advance to the next grade or graduate?
- What are the requirements for graduation?
- How do I access my child's report card?
- What is the school's homework policy?

- Can my child receive help with homework?
- What can I do to help my child succeed in school?
- How do I arrange a meeting with a counselor?

- Can the school provide an interpreter for this meeting?
- Will the school accept transcripts from my child's previous school(s) in their home country?
- Does the school provide assistance with the college application process?