

Chapter 1014

PARENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS

1014.05 School district notifications on parental rights

(1) Each district school board shall, in consultation with parents, teachers, and administrators, develop and adopt a policy to promote parental involvement in the public school system. Such policy must include:

- (a) A plan, pursuant to s. 1002.23, for parental participation in schools to improve parent and teacher cooperation in such areas as homework, school attendance, and discipline.
- (b) A procedure, pursuant to s. 1002.20(19)(b), for a parent to learn about his or her minor child's course of study, including the source of any supplemental education materials.
- (c) Procedures, pursuant to s. 1006.28(2)(a)2., for a parent to object to instructional materials and other materials used in the classroom. Such objections may be based on beliefs regarding morality, sex, and religion or the belief that such materials are harmful. For purposes of this section, the term "instructional materials" has the same meaning as in s. 1006.29(2) and may include other materials used in the classroom, including workbooks and worksheets, handouts, software, applications, and any digital media made available to students.
- (d) Procedures, pursuant to s. 1002.20(3)(d), for a parent to withdraw his or her minor child from any portion of the school district's comprehensive health education required under s. 1003.42(2)(n) that relates to sex education or instruction in acquired immune deficiency syndrome education or any instruction regarding sexuality if the parent provides a written objection to his or her minor child's participation. Such procedures must provide for a parent to be notified in advance of such course content so that he or she may withdraw his or her minor child from those portions of the course.
- (e) Procedures, pursuant to s. 1006.195(1)(a), for a parent to learn about the nature and purpose of clubs and activities offered at his or her minor child's school, including those that are extracurricular or part of the school curriculum.
- (f) Procedures for a parent to learn about parental rights and responsibilities under general law, including all of the following:
 1. Pursuant to s. 1002.20(3)(d), the right to opt his or her minor child out of any portion of the school district's comprehensive health education required under s. 1003.42(2)(n) that relates to sex education instruction in acquired immune deficiency syndrome education or any instruction regarding sexuality.
 2. A plan to disseminate information, pursuant to s. 1002.20(6), about school choice options, including open enrollment.
 3. In accordance with s. 1002.20(3)(b), the right of a parent to exempt his or her minor child from immunizations.
 4. In accordance with s. 1008.22, the right of a parent to review statewide, standardized assessment results.

5. In accordance with s. 1003.57, the right of a parent to enroll his or her minor child in gifted or special education programs.
6. In accordance with s. 1006.28(2)(a)1., the right of a parent to inspect school district instructional materials.
7. In accordance with s. 1008.25, the right of a parent to access information relating to the school district's policies for promotion or retention, including high school graduation requirements.
8. In accordance with s. 1002.20(14), the right of a parent to receive a school report card and be informed of his or her minor child's attendance requirements.
9. In accordance with s. 1002.23, the right of a parent to access information relating to the state public education system, state standards, report card requirements, attendance requirements, and instructional materials requirements.
10. In accordance with s. 1002.23(4), the right of a parent to participate in parent-teacher associations and organizations that are sanctioned by a district school board or the Department of Education.
11. In accordance with s. 1002.222(1)(a), the right of a parent to opt out of any district-level data collection relating to his or her minor child not required by law.

(2) A district school board may provide the information required in this section electronically or post such information on its website.

(3) A parent may request, in writing, from the district school superintendent the information required under this section. Within 10 days, the district school superintendent must provide such information to the parent. If the district school superintendent denies a parent's request for information or does not respond to the parent's request within 10 days, the parent may appeal the denial to the district school board. The district school board must place a parent's appeal on the agenda for its next public meeting. If it is too late for a parent's appeal to appear on the next agenda, the appeal must be included on the agenda for the subsequent meeting.