

**Hancock County Schools
EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS
TRANSFERRING TO STUDENTS AT AGE 18**

Parent _____

Student _____

THIS LETTER SERVES AS NOTIFICATION OF THE FOLLOWING:

When a student with a disability reaches the “age of majority,” that is age eighteen, the right to receive notice and provide consent transfers to the student.

Notice means the student will be given information in writing about the time, date and place of IEP committee meetings and persons invited to the meeting. The student will receive any notices under these laws that previously would have been sent only to parents.

Consent means agreeing in writing to any action that is described in an IEP. The student must give consent when consent is required under Policy 2419: (1) for initial evaluation; (2) for initial placement; and, (3) for re-evaluation.

Students will have the option of allowing their parents to continue to represent them in their educational decisions or they can represent themselves. If it is believed that the student is not prepared to make these decisions, parents have the option of obtaining guardianship through Circuit Court.