

NOTICE OF CHANGE IN PLACEMENT

SCHOOL DISTRICT _____

DATE : MAILED SENT GIVEN _____

Dear Parent:

The Individualized Education Program (IEP) Committee met to determine the appropriate placement of your child, _____ . Following a review of the requirements regarding placement options and considering your input as well as the education services necessary to ensure an appropriate education for your child, the team determined that a change in the current placement of your child is warranted.

The committee's decision was based on the following reason(s):

- Change in placement was necessary to implement the education services determined appropriate and documented on the IEP.
- Change in placement due to a reevaluation that indicated your child was no longer in need of special education services.
- Change in placement was ordered by a hearing officer.
- Change in placement was determined necessary due to disciplinary violations of the district's code of conduct.
- Change in placement was ordered by school authorities due to a weapon and/or drug offense.
- OTHER (Please specify) _____

The following option(s) was considered prior to making the determination:

- Remain in current placement.
- Regular education without special education services.
- Remain in current placement with supports and supplemental aids and services.

The option(s) considered was rejected due to:

- Need to implement the child's IEP.
- Need to ensure appropriate services are implemented.
- Current placement was too restrictive for child to participate in regular education program.
- Authority of school personnel to remove the child from current placement due to disciplinary violation in accordance with district policies.
- Child is no longer in need of special education services.
- Order by the hearing officer.
- Potentially harmful effect on child or the quality of services needed.
- OTHER (Please specify) _____

The following evaluation procedures, tests, records or reports were reviewed and discussed:

- Continuum of alternate placement(s)
- Decision of hearing officer
- Behavior intervention(s)
- Observation(s)
- Current IEP, including special education and related services
- Rules and regulations concerning Least Restrictive Environment
- Decision of school authorities regarding disciplinary actions
- Review of whether your child's behavior is due to the disability
- OTHER (Please specify) _____
- Progress reports
- Present level(s) of performance
- Support(s) necessary for personnel
- Child's current courses or subjects

You may contact me or any of the following resources to help you understand the federal and State regulations for educating children with disabilities and parental rights granted by those regulations:

Mississippi Department of Education	1-601-359-3498	Other Resources:
MDE Toll Free Parent Hotline	1-877-544-0408	
Mississippi Parent Training and Information Center	1-800-721-7255	
Disability Rights Mississippi	1-800-772-4057	
Project EMPOWER	1-800-337-4852	

Both federal and State regulations concerning the education of children with disabilities include many parental rights and responsibilities. A copy of the procedural safeguards which include the rights available to you and your child are enclosed with this notice.

Sincerely,

Name and Title

Telephone Number

Parent Signature

Date