



# **PARENT RIGHTS & RESPONSIBILITIES IN SPECIAL EDUCATION**

Notice of Procedural Safeguards

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**PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF NORTH CAROLINA**

State Board of Education | Department of Public Instruction | Exceptional Children Division

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The local educational agency (LEA) is your local school district. This may be a county or city school district, public charter school or State-operated program. The acronym LEA is used throughout this document for your local charter school, school district or State-operated program.

**It is important that you understand the Procedural Safeguards (legal rights) provided for you and your child with a disability. Staff is available to assist you in understanding your rights and will provide further explanation upon your request. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact the Exceptional Children (EC) Department in your local LEA.**

- LEA EC Directors are listed at <http://ec.ncpublicschools.gov/directory/lea-ec-program-directors>
- Charter Schools are listed at <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/charterschools/schools/>
- State-operated Programs are listed at <http://www.ncpublicschools.org/esdb/directory/>

<p><b>LEA's EC Director:</b> _____</p> <p><b>Telephone:</b> _____</p> <p><b>Email:</b> _____</p>
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**State Educational Agency (SEA)** The State Educational Agency is the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI). The acronym, NCDPI, is used throughout this document to refer to the SEA. The Exceptional Children Division (ECD) is part of NCDPI.

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