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Why was a federal law in special education enacted? Is there a law to protect students with disabilities who are deemed not eligible for special education?; What are the legal steps required in the special education process under IDEIA?; 2 Requirements for Being a "Parent"; Who is a "parent" as defined under IDEIA?; Why is there such a broad definition of a parent under IDEIA?; Who is considered an "adoptive" parent?; Are biological or adoptive parents always presumed to be authorized to make educational decisions for the child even if other individuals also meet the definition of parent?

Who is considered a foster parent? What rights do foster parents have in the educational decision making for a child in special education?; Who is considered a guardian?; Who is considered a surrogate parent?; Are surrogate parents required to have knowledge and skills that ensure adequate representation of the student?; What rights does a surrogate parent have under IDEIA?; What are the guidelines for being a surrogate parent for a student?; Can the state be considered a surrogate parent?; Can a foster parent serve as a surrogate parent?

How long can a surrogate parent act as surrogate parent? Is there a timeframe for assignment of a surrogate parent?; When parents divorce, who exercises the rights under IDEIA?; Who is considered a ward of the state?; Is there a transfer of parental rights at the age of majority in special education?; How are children informed of the transfer of rights?; 3 Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE); What is a FAPE?; What does "free" actually mean?; Is lack of funds a sufficient defense for not providing a student with a disability an appropriate education?

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This useful handbook provides educators with a practical understanding of the laws that are in place to protect the children with special needs that they support. Written in a user-friendly Q and A format, it covers all of the key areas of special education law including Free Appropriate Public Education, related services, and discipline.

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