



# PARENTS' Bill of Rights

*As a parent,*

you should be able to depend on the inherent ability to direct the education and upbringing of your children. But sometimes it may not seem like that is the case. You may feel as though you are battling against a society that seeks to displace you in the important role you play in the lives of your children.

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to stay updated on what the Attorney General's Office  
is doing to support your rights as a parent.

To ensure your ability to give your children comfort and guidance, to instill in them the values and traditions of your family, and to nurture your relationship as parent and child, keep in mind that you have the right to certain expectations, including:



**TO DIRECT** the education and care of your minor child.



**TO CHOOSE** public, private, religious, or home schools for your minor child.



**TO ACCESS** and review all school records relating to your minor child.



**TO REVIEW** and question the curriculum taught to your minor child in school.



**TO OBTAIN** educational materials taught to your child in the classroom.



**TO QUESTION** and address your child's school officials and school board members at publicly designated meetings with proper notice of the meeting provided.



**TO RUN** as a candidate for your local school board.



**TO MAKE** healthcare decisions for your minor child, unless otherwise prohibited by law.



**TO ACCESS** and review all medical records of your minor child, unless otherwise prohibited by law.



**TO DIRECT** the moral or religious training of your minor child.

*“ As a parent, you have inalienable rights that are more comprehensive than those listed here. The bond between you and your child is one that should matter to all of us because your strong family is the foundation for a strong Mississippi. ”*

**- ATTORNEY GENERAL LYNN FITCH**