H.I.B. Parent/Guardian Rights and Information

What to know as a parent

The information below will help guide you as a parent/guardian during the Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying investigation process. As the information below is *legally* defined by NJ State Law, you are welcome to explore more information <u>here</u>. Key terms and explanations are also listed below.

My child is listed as an alleged target or aggressor

- Parent/Guardians have the right to:
 - Information about the nature of the investigation and the outcome
 - Whether discipline was imposed
 - Whether services were provided
 - An explanation of the process
 - Be contacted within one school day of receipt of written report
- Parents/Guardians DO NOT have the right to:
 - Be contacted before student interviews
 - Be told the names of other students involved
 - Refuse student interviews
 - Be present for student interviews
 - Contact district personnel to give input into the investigation

My child is listed as a witness

- Parent/Guardians have the right to:
 - Confirm that their child was interviewed
- Parents/Guardians DO NOT have the right

to:

- Be contacted when a child is interviewed
- Be told the names of other students involved
- Know a general description of the incident
- Contact district personnel to give input into the investigation

The investigation has been completed and an initial determination has been made

- Parent/Guardians have the right to:
 - Receive notice when the investigation is completed with an initial determination
 - Notice of when the Board of Education will be advised
 - Appeal after the Board of Education ruling at the next scheduled board meeting
- Parents/Guardians DO NOT have the right to:
 - o Punishment/Remediation given to students other than your own
 - Contact school officials to discuss details of the investigation

o Suggest/recommend remediation/punishment