



SC Student Bill of Rights

Your Future Starts Here

If you have an IEP, you have certain rights through state and federal laws.

This flyer can help you understand your rights related to education and other key issues.

If you have an IEP, you have a right to:



A free, public education



Supports to help you succeed



Participate in your IEP meetings



Attend classes with students without disabilities, if possible

Beginning at age 13, if you have an IEP, you have the right to:



Include goals in your IEP related to jobs and training to prepare you for adult life

SUPPORTS IN DECISION MAKING

Everyone needs supports to make decisions. Speak with an adult you trust or visit the website below:
scsupporteddecisionmaking.org



Check out how other youth with disabilities have been successful at www.hiremesc.org/success-stories

LEGAL CHANGES AT AGE 18

At age 18 in SC, you become a legal adult, and this allows you to make decisions about:



Your education



Voting



Joining the military

As an adult, you are responsible for your decisions.

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

This is a law that ensures students with an IEP receive Pre-Employment Transition Services. Your school and/or SC Vocational Rehabilitation or the SC Commission for the Blind can help you with:



Career Exploration



Work-based Learning Experiences



Postsecondary Education



Counseling Workplace Readiness



Instruction in Self-Advocacy

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