



# MILLENNIUM CHARTER ACADEMY

## SENATE BILL 49: PARENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS

### OVERVIEW

As a classical charter school, MCA's primary focus is the development of intelligent, virtuous citizens within our student body. We are fully committed to upholding the principles outlined in the Parents' Bill of Rights, a state law that outlines parents' rights in regards to their child's education, health, privacy, and safety. MCA's approach aligns with this legislation, as we actively seek to establish strong partnerships with parents and encourage their active involvement in their child's educational journey. We are dedicated to working in partnership with parents to create a safe, wholesome, and enriching educational environment for all our students.

### PARENTS' LEGAL RIGHTS

Parents have the right to:

- Make decisions for participation in reproductive health and safety education programs.
- Seek exemptions from immunization requirements.
- Review statewide standardized assessment results.
- Request an evaluation of their child for identification as a child with a disability or as academically or intellectually gifted.
- Inspect and purchase textbooks and other supplementary instructional materials.
- Access information on promotion and retention, including high school graduation requirements.
- Receive regular report cards that show academic performance, conduct, and attendance.
- Access information on the state public education system.
- Participate in parent-teacher organizations.
- Opt-in to participation in protected student information surveys in accordance with state law and opt-out of data collection in other surveys in accordance with federal law.
- Review available records of materials their child borrowed from a school library.



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## PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIT POLICIES ON PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT

Because MCA realizes the importance of partnering with parents, we encourage you to get involved by being a grade parent, substitute teacher, coach, field trip driver, tutor, a mentor, guest speaker, project judge, test proctor, concessions stand worker, or any other asset to the school. We also encourage you to join our parent-teacher organization MPACT (Millennium Parents and Concerned Teachers) or the Athletic Boosters. Please contact [mca@mccademy.com](mailto:mca@mccademy.com) or talk with your child's teacher if you wish to volunteer.

## PARENTAL REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

Should a parent desire any information related to the Parent's Bill of Rights, please email school administration: the lower school director or upper school director or the headmaster. To the best of their ability, the administration will provide the desired information within seven days of notification. Should the information require more time to gather, the administration will provide a statement explaining the delay and will seek to provide the information within thirty days of the original notification.

## STUDENT PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH

At Millennium, we partner with parents and would never seek to keep any information about your child from you, especially information about their physical or mental health. It is encouraged that children discuss their well-being and issues with parents. Should you have any concerns about anything related to your child's physical or mental health, please contact the lower or upper school director and the headmaster.

## PROTECTED INFORMATION SURVEYS

At Millennium, quality education is our only agenda, so we focus on character formation and teaching our students reading and writing, math and science, and history and literature. We do *not* survey our students about the following topics.

- political affiliations or beliefs,
- mental or psychological problems,
- sex behavior or attitudes,
- illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior,
- critical appraisals of close family relationships,
- legally recognized or similar privileged relationships,
- religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs,
- income, except for eligibility and financial assistance determinations.



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## REMEDIES FOR PARENTAL CONCERNS

Should a parent have any concerns related to the Parent's Bill of Rights, please email school administration: the lower school director or upper school director or the headmaster. To the best of their ability, the administration will address and resolve the concerns within seven days of notification. Should the concerns require more time to resolve, the administration will provide a statement explaining the delay and will seek to provide a resolution within thirty days of the original notification.

## PARENTAL AUTHORIZATION FOR HEALTH CARE OF MINORS

S.B. 49 prohibits health care practitioners from providing, soliciting, or arranging treatment for minors without first obtaining written or documented consent from parents, except as otherwise provided in this state bill. Health care facilities are also prohibited from allowing treatment of minors without written or documented consent from parents. Violations of the section by a health care practitioner are subject to disciplinary action by the governing licensure board, including a fine of up to \$5,000.