



**Friendswood Independent School District
Office of Special Programs**



May 19, 2020

Dear FISD Families,

In 2019, the 86th Texas Legislature passed [Senate Bill 139 \(SB 139\)](#), which requires Texas local education agencies (LEAs) to distribute the following notice to parents:

- [SB 139 Notice to Families \(English version\)](#)
- [SB 139 Notice to Families \(Spanish version\)](#)

LEAs must complete and distribute them to all parents or families of children enrolled in each LEA.

These notices contain the following information:

- Changes made from 2016 to 2017 in reporting requirements for LEAs regarding special education enrollment in the Performance Based Monitoring Analysis System
- The rights of a child regarding the provision of special education services under both state and federal law
- The process and procedures for initiating a referral for evaluation for special education services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and TEC Sec. 29.004.
- Where to find local policies and procedures related to initiating a referral for evaluation under IDEA

If you have questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to call or email.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dahria Driskell".

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Enclosure: SB 139 Notice to Families (English Version), SB139 Notice to Families (Spanish Version)