

## **Notice of Voluntary Mediation and Procedural Safeguards**

Pursuant to Section 45 of Public Act 23-137, An Act Concerning Resources and Support Services for Persons with an Intellectual or Developmental Disability, a notice of the availability of mediation services must be read out loud and distributed at planning and placement team meetings. As a result, effective as of July 1, 2023, all districts must read aloud and distribute the following notice of availability of mediation services at PPT meetings:

**“The procedural safeguards explain student and parent rights under IDEA and identify dispute-resolution options, including the right to voluntarily engage in mediation.”** [A Parent's Guide to Special Education 2021 \(ct.gov\)](#)

The link connected to this notice provides a plain language resource explaining the mediation process as required by Section 45 of Public Act 23-137.