

The Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) requires that parents receive specific informational handouts at every Individualized Education Program (IEP) meeting. These documents help families understand their rights, available supports, and resources for students with disabilities. Below is an overview of the required handouts, along with links to ISBE's official copies.



Procedural Safeguards

This document explains the rights of parents and students under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). It includes information about evaluations, consent, dispute resolution, confidentiality, and due process procedures. Parents must receive a copy at least once per year and at specific times such as an initial referral or disciplinary change in placement. [Procedural Safeguards For Parents/Guardians](#) [Procedural Safeguards For Parents/Guardians \(Spanish\)](#)

[Behavior Intervention Guidelines](#)

ABLE Account Information

The Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act allows individuals with disabilities and their families to save money for disability-related expenses without affecting eligibility for federal benefits. This handout provides information about how to open and manage an Illinois ABLE account.

[IL Able \(English\)](#) [IL Able \(Spanish\)](#)

PUNS (Prioritization for Urgency of Need for Services)

PUNS is a statewide database that records information about individuals with developmental disabilities who may need services or supports now or in the future. Families are encouraged to register their child to ensure access to appropriate services when available.

[Understanding PUNS \(English\)](#) [Understanding PUNS \(Spanish\)](#)

Facilitated IEPs

Facilitated IEPs are a voluntary process that helps IEP teams work collaboratively and resolve disagreements during meetings. A trained, neutral facilitator assists the team in effective communication and problem-solving to develop an appropriate IEP for the student.

[ISBE Facilitated IEP Meeting Fact Sheet](#)

For more information:

Visit the Illinois State Board of Education's Special Education page at <https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Special-Education.aspx>.

Visit Minooka CCSD 201 Special Education page at www.min201.org.