RIGHTS IN GIFTED EDUCATION

(Please keep this form for your records. Do not return.)

Student Name:	School:	Teacher:

The following is an explanation of rights available to students who are in the referral process or who are identified as gifted. If you would like a further explanation of any of these rights you may contact the gifted specialist, your school principal, the special education coordinator or the gifted supervisor, in your school district/public agency.

CONSENT: 1) Right to give consent before a referral or individual assessment is conducted and before initial placement is made in a gifted program; 2) Right to refuse consent for referral or individual assessment or the initial provision of gifted education services; 3) Right to revoke consent at any time.

EVALUATION PROCEDURES: 1) Right to a referral and subsequent assessment of the child's educational needs for the purpose of determining placement and services; 2) Right to have more than one criterion used in determining an appropriate educational program for the child.

GIFTED EDUCATION PLAN (GEP): 1) Right to attend the meeting to develop, review, or revise the GEP; 2) Right to be notified of the GEP meeting early enough to ensure an opportunity to attend; 3) Right to have the GEP meeting scheduled at a mutually agreed upon time and place; 4) Right to a copy of the GEP upon request; 5) Right to bring other people to the GEP meeting; 6) Right to ask for a revision of the GEP.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS: When attempts to resolve a problem at the local level have failed, dispute resolution processes are available from the Special Education Services. Information regarding these processes can be obtained by contacting the school district/public agency's gifted coordinator. You can also contact the gifted education specialists at the Alabama State Department of Education by calling (334) 694-4782.