

you should know



Under Michigan Law at age 18 you are now an adult.

- Under Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), if you have received services to assist you in school, **all rights and responsibilities regarding decisions about those programs and services transfer to you** (unless you have a legal guardian).
- You are the sole person responsible for your education.

This pamphlet contains information to help you as an adult recognize your educational rights. Information on your rights can be obtained by contacting your local school district Director of Special Education.

student educational rights

- ✓ to be provided information regarding programs and services through an Individualized Education Program (IEP)
- ✓ to participate in my Individualized Educational Planning Team (IEPT)
- ✓ to invite individuals who understand my disability as part of my IEPT
- ✓ to accept or refuse services and to understand how that decision may affect my school program
- ✓ to disagree with my IEP and receive help in writing a complaint, or to request mediation on a due process hearing

adult student responsibilities

- ✓ register to vote
- ✓ register for selective service
- ✓ apply for social security income eligibility
- ✓ apply for Medicaid eligibility
- ✓ understand my disability and how it affects my life
- ✓ ask questions request help, seek support
- ✓ attend all IEPT meetings and actively participate
- ✓ understand that refusing services may affect my school/work program



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