(2) Upon receipt of the first State complaint under §§300.151 through 300.153 and upon receipt of the first due process complaint under §300.507 in a school year;

(3) In accordance with the discipline procedures in §300.530(h); and

(4) Upon request by a parent.

(b) Internet Web site. A public agency may place a current copy of the procedural safeguards notice on its Internet Web site if a Web site exists.

(c) Contents. The procedural safeguards notice must include a full explanation of all of the procedural safeguards available under §300.148, §§300.151 through 300.153, §300.300, §§300.502 through 300.503, §§300.505 through 300.518, §§300.530 through 300.536 and §§300.610 through 300.625 relating to—

(1) Independent educational evaluations;
(2) Prior written notice;
(3) Parental consent;
(4) Access to education records;
(5) Opportunity to present and resolve complaints through the due process complaint and State complaint procedures, including—
   (i) The time period in which to file a complaint;
   (ii) The opportunity for the agency to resolve the complaint; and
   (iii) The difference between the due process complaint and the State complaint procedures, including—
      (I) The time period in which to file a complaint;
      (II) The opportunity for the agency to resolve the complaint; and
      (III) The difference between the due process complaint and the State complaint procedures, including the jurisdiction of each procedure, what issues may be raised, filing and decisional timelines, and relevant procedures;
(6) The availability of mediation;
(7) The child’s placement during the pendency of any due process complaint;
(8) Procedures for students who are subject to placement in an interim alternative educational setting;
(9) Requirements for unilateral placement by parents of children in private schools at public expense;
(10) Hearings on due process complaints, including requirements for disclosure of evaluation results and recommendations;
(11) State-level appeals (if applicable in the State);
(12) Civil actions, including the time period in which to file those actions; and
(13) Attorneys’ fees.

(d) Notice in understandable language. The notice required under paragraph (a) of this section must meet the requirements of §300.503(c).

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1415(d))

§ 300.505 Electronic mail.

A parent of a child with a disability may elect to receive notices required by §§300.503, 300.504, and 300.508 by an electronic mail communication, if the public agency makes that option available.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1415(n))

§ 300.506 Mediation.

(a) General. Each public agency must ensure that procedures are established and implemented to allow parties to disputes involving any matter under this part, including matters arising prior to the filing of a due process complaint, to resolve disputes through a mediation process.

(b) Requirements. The procedures must meet the following requirements:

(1) The procedures must ensure that the mediation process—
   (i) Is voluntary on the part of the parties;
   (ii) Is not used to deny or delay a parent’s right to a hearing on the parent’s due process complaint, or to deny any other rights afforded under Part B of the Act; and
   (iii) Is conducted by a qualified and impartial mediator who is trained in effective mediation techniques.

(2) A public agency may establish procedures to offer to parents and schools that choose not to use the mediation process, an opportunity to meet, at a time and location convenient to the parents, with a disinterested party—
   (i) Who is under contract with an appropriate alternative dispute resolution entity, or a parent training and information center or community parent resource center in the State established under section 671 or 672 of the Act; and