

IF YOU HAVE AN IEP OR HAD AN IEP

(OR ARE A PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF A STUDENT WITH AN IEP)

AND YOU WERE SUSPENDED OR REMOVED FROM CLASS, OR TRANSFERRED  
OR DISCHARGED FROM A NYC PUBLIC SCHOOL

**PLEASE READ THIS SHORT NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT WITH THE NYC DEPARTMENT OF  
EDUCATION, BECAUSE YOUR RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED.**

THIS SETTLEMENT MAY AFFECT THE RIGHTS OF STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES WHO  
ATTEND OR ATTENDED A NYC PUBLIC SCHOOL WHO BELIEVE THEY WERE:

- Improperly suspended or removed from class or school for disciplinary reasons
- Denied appropriate educational services while suspended or removed from class
- Improperly suspended or removed from class because of their disability
- Improperly discharged or transferred from school for disciplinary reasons

IF THIS SETTLEMENT IS APPROVED, THE NYC DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION HAS  
COMMITTED TO CERTAIN PROCEDURES CONCERNING STUDENT DISCIPLINE DURING THE  
TIME OF THE SETTLEMENT THAT CONCERN:

- Removing students with disabilities from class or school for disciplinary reasons
- Removing students with disabilities from school before a Superintendent's suspension hearing
- Determining if a student was removed from class or school as a direct result of the student's disability
- Educating and evaluating students with disabilities while on suspension
- Discharging and transferring students with disabilities out of school

**IF YOU WISH TO BE HEARD IN CONNECTION WITH THE FAIRNESS OF THE  
PROPOSED SETTLEMENT, YOU MUST ACT BY JULY 16, 2015.**

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO GET A COPY OF THE FULL SETTLEMENT NOTICE OR  
THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, CONTACT ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN AT 973-878-4559 OR  
[WWW.ADVOCATESFORCHILDREN.ORG](http://WWW.ADVOCATESFORCHILDREN.ORG).