

# RECOMMENDED FOR EXPULSION

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I called Families Helping Families in desperate need of assistance with my son's rights for his IEP meetings and assistance with an expulsion. I was completely lost, worried, and very upset especially when being told he was recommended for expulsion for the year.

Laura S. Nata, Director of Peer Support, explained that expulsions are actions taken by local education agencies that result in the removal of a student from his/her regular school for disciplinary purposes for the remainder of the school year or longer in accordance with local education agency policy. However, she also educated me that in addition to the basic rights that all students have with school discipline, under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) students with IEP's are provided certain protections. She also explained, once he was out pending an investigation we needed to count those days and from the previous disciplinary actions since it can dictate a change of placement.

She also taught me how to prepare for my son's hearing and his MDR meeting. She helped with the unfair treatment of my son in school as well! I could not be happier with the results from these incidents and know where or whom to call if there is a next time!

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