

INTERPRETERS

Parents with limited English proficiency have a right to an interpreter at public expense at significant events. Significant events are events that may materially affect a student's placement or educational progress, health or safety emergencies, and teacher/parent conferences. Significant events include, but are not limited to, suspension and expulsion hearings, parent/teacher conferences, special education meetings, Section 504 meetings, and school counselor meetings.

The District may provide an interpreter at public expense at other events. Decision to provide an interpreter shall be based upon (1) the number of proportion of persons to be served or likely to be encountered who speak that language; (2) the frequency with which individuals who speak that language come in contact with the District; (3) the nature and importance of the program, activity, or service provided by the District; and (4) available District resources and costs.

Parents may waive their right to an interpreter provided at public expenses and provide their own interpreter at their own expense. The waiver must be signed by the parent. If a parent waives the right to an interpreter at public expense, the District may require its interpreter to be present to ensure accuracy.