



Back to School Toolkit: Know Your Rights!

Parents have many rights including:

- The right to review your child's educational records and request corrections
- The right to protect your child's and your family's faith
- The right to weigh in on school district matters
- The right to a reasonable expectation of privacy
- The right for you and your child to say **"Merry Christmas"**
- The right to pray on public school grounds
- The right to control sex education content for your child (*school must have "opt-in" permission from parents first*)
- The right to have your child participate in sex-separated sports and athletics

Students have the right to:

- Engage in student-led prayer;
- Have student led Christian clubs;
- Hold student led bible studies on campus;
- Express their Christian values in class;
- Share their faith with other students; and
- Acknowledge **Christian holidays**.

Students across Texas are heading back to school soon, and it's important for students and parents to know their rights. As a parent, you may be concerned with what your child will be learning in the classroom or whether you are allowed to know what it being taught. As a student, you may be wondering if you can pray, lead a religious club, or even say "Merry Christmas" at school. Texas Values is here as a resource to guide you through the school year and its challenges as it relates to parental rights, schooling options, and curriculum.

We pray that these resources are helpful as you prepare to send your children back into the classroom. Texas Values will continue to fight for parental rights in our state. Contact us for more information:

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