

Student and Parent Right

Section 4 on the Chapter 2016-237, Laws of Florida

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The bill amended s. 1002.20, F.S., *K-12 student and parent rights*, to:

- Allow parents to seek any public educational school choice options that are applicable and available throughout the state.
- Add CAPE (Career and Professional Education) digital tools, CAPE industry certifications and collegiate high school programs to the list of public educational choice options for students.
- Add the Gardiner Scholarship Program (formerly the Florida Personal Learning Scholarship Accounts Program) to the list of private educational choice options for students.
- Provide that parents have the right to an easy-to-read school financial report that indicates the average amount of money expended per student in their school. The financial report must be published in the student handbook or a similar publication. Provide that eligibility requirements for all students participating in high school athletic competition must allow a student to be immediately eligible in the school in which he or she first enrolls each school year, the school in which the student makes him or herself a candidate for an athletic team by engaging in practice before enrolling or the school to which the student has transferred in accordance with s. 1006.20(2)(a), F.S. The provision for district school board approval was removed.
- Allow school districts to determine whether to provide public school students transportation to school in accordance with the controlled open enrollment provisions of s. 1002.31(2), F.S.