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Every child in America deserves access to a quality education. All students should be safe and welcome in their school. Parental rights play a crucial role in ensuring both. For a parent to fully exercise their fundamental right to direct their children's education, they need the ability to determine the best educational environment for their children. This must include the ability to homeschool, school choice initiatives, and a thriving public education system.

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A parent's fundamental right to direct their children's medical care includes, but is not limited to, mental healthcare decisions, the choice to mask or vaccinate their child, informed parental consent, access to medical records, open communication, and involvement in decision-making. No child under the legal age of authority should be asked to make healthcare decisions without their parent or guardian.

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The parent-child relationship is unique. Parents are the experts on their children and love them in a way no one else can. Parental involvement is the number one driver of student success. Nothing related to a child's well-being, mental or physical health, or academic progress should be purposefully withheld from a parent.

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To strengthen parental involvement and increase transparency, school districts should strive for open communication, maintain robust public comment at board meetings, empower parents to volunteer, foster relationships of trust between teachers and parents, notify parents about their child's desire to use alternate names or pronouns, and codify a parent's ability to opt their child out of sex ed or other instruction that may violate deeply held moral or religious beliefs. Districts should obtain and carefully consider parental input on things like budgets, curriculum, content, policies, and library materials.

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Parents are responsible for their children's education, discipline, and care. Parents may partner with schools to educate their children, and schools may connect parents to community resources that support parents in their duties. While a child is in the care of a school, that school bears responsibility for protecting the child from physical harm and ensuring they are not exposed to damaging content beyond their developmental abilities. Maintaining a singular focus on education's legitimate purpose, which is to educate, offers our education system the best path to success. This path is made easier by engaged, responsible parenting.