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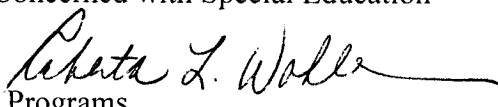
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TO: Chief School Administrator  
Director of Special Education  
Administrator of a State Facility  
Administrator of a Charter School  
Administrator of an Approved Private School for the Disabled  
Administrator of a College-Operated Program  
Statewide Special Education Advisory Council  
Agencies or Organizations Concerned with Special Education

FROM: Roberta L. Wohle, Director   
Office of Special Education Programs

SUBJECT: Parental Rights in Special Education (PRISE)

As noted in our May 25, 2007 memo, attached is the hardbound copy of the procedural safeguards statement that is published by the New Jersey Department of Education to meet the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:14-2.3(g)7. This document was developed to explain the rights afforded under special education to adult students with disabilities and the parents of students with disabilities. The May 2007 document replaces all previous versions of the PRISE. Previous versions of this document can no longer be used and should be discarded.

This document may be reproduced or reprinted. However, school districts must assure that the document is readable and that the content has not been altered. In addition, page 42 of the document lists resources that parents may contact to receive help in understanding their rights. Districts must identify a district representative and the county supervisor of child study as potential resources for parents to contact.

This document is available on our web site at <http://www.nj.gov/education/specialed/info/>.

Finally, please note that the Department has initiated the process to translate the PRISE into other languages. When the process is complete, you will be notified and the PRISE will be made available in other languages on the Department's website.

I trust this information is helpful.

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