Parents' Bill of Rights Procedures (HB 1178)

A parent of a minor child at any school within the district may exercise his or her parental rights using the following procedures:

- 1. A parent may review records relating to his or her minor child by contacting the office at his or her child's school. A mutually agreeable time for parent record review will be scheduled during regular business hours.
- 2. A parent may learn about his or her minor child's courses of study, including, but not limited to, parental access to instructional materials intended for use in the child's classroom, by submitting the request in writing to the school principal. Such instructional materials will be made available for parental review during the first two weeks of each grading period (the beginning of each 9 week grading period for elementary/middle school and the beginning of each semester grading period for high school.) Instructional materials are listed on the Gilmer County School website and will be available in each schools' media center during the review period upon parent request.
- 3. A parent may object to instructional materials intended for use in his or her minor child's classroom or recommended by his or her minor child's teacher by submitting the objection <u>in writing</u> to the <u>school principal</u>.
- 4. A parent may withdraw his or her minor child from the school's prescribed course of study in sex education if the parent provides a written objection to his or her child's participation. Parents will be notified in advance of the sex education course content and parents will be given the opportunity to opt his or her minor child out of participation by returning the opt out form sent home by the school.
- 5. As the parent of a student or as an eligible student (18 years of age or older), you may elect to withhold your consent for Gilmer County Schools' use of photographs, audio recordings, and/or video recordings of you and/or your child. In order to withhold your consent for the disclosure of you and/or your child's photographs, audio recordings, and/or video recordings, the parent of the student or the eligible student must notify the principal of the school the student attends in writing within 10 days of receipt of the student/parent handbook. The written notice must: (1) include the name of the student; (2) include a statement that the parent/guardian or eligible student is opting out of the release of photographs, audio recordings, and/or video recordings depicting the student; and (3) be signed and dated by the parent, guardian or eligible student.