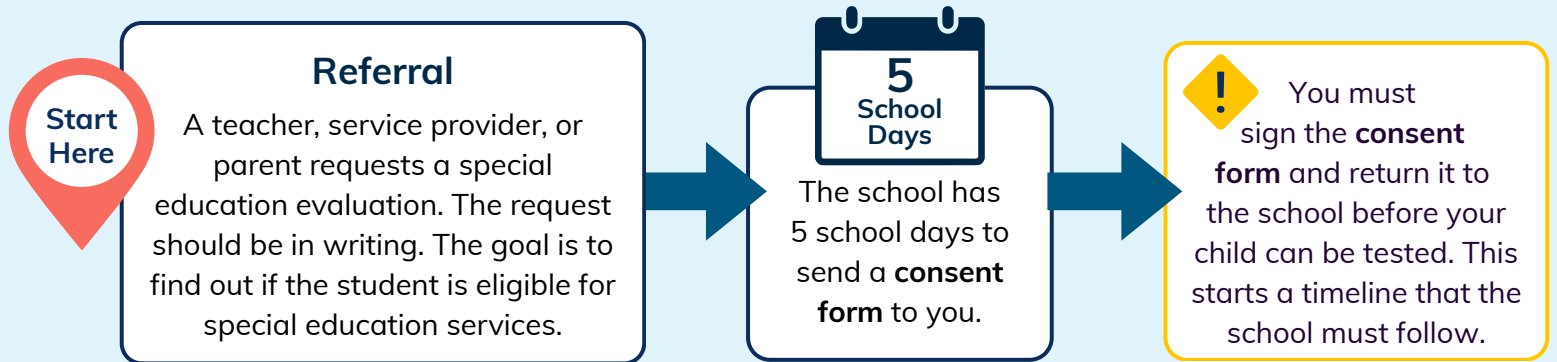


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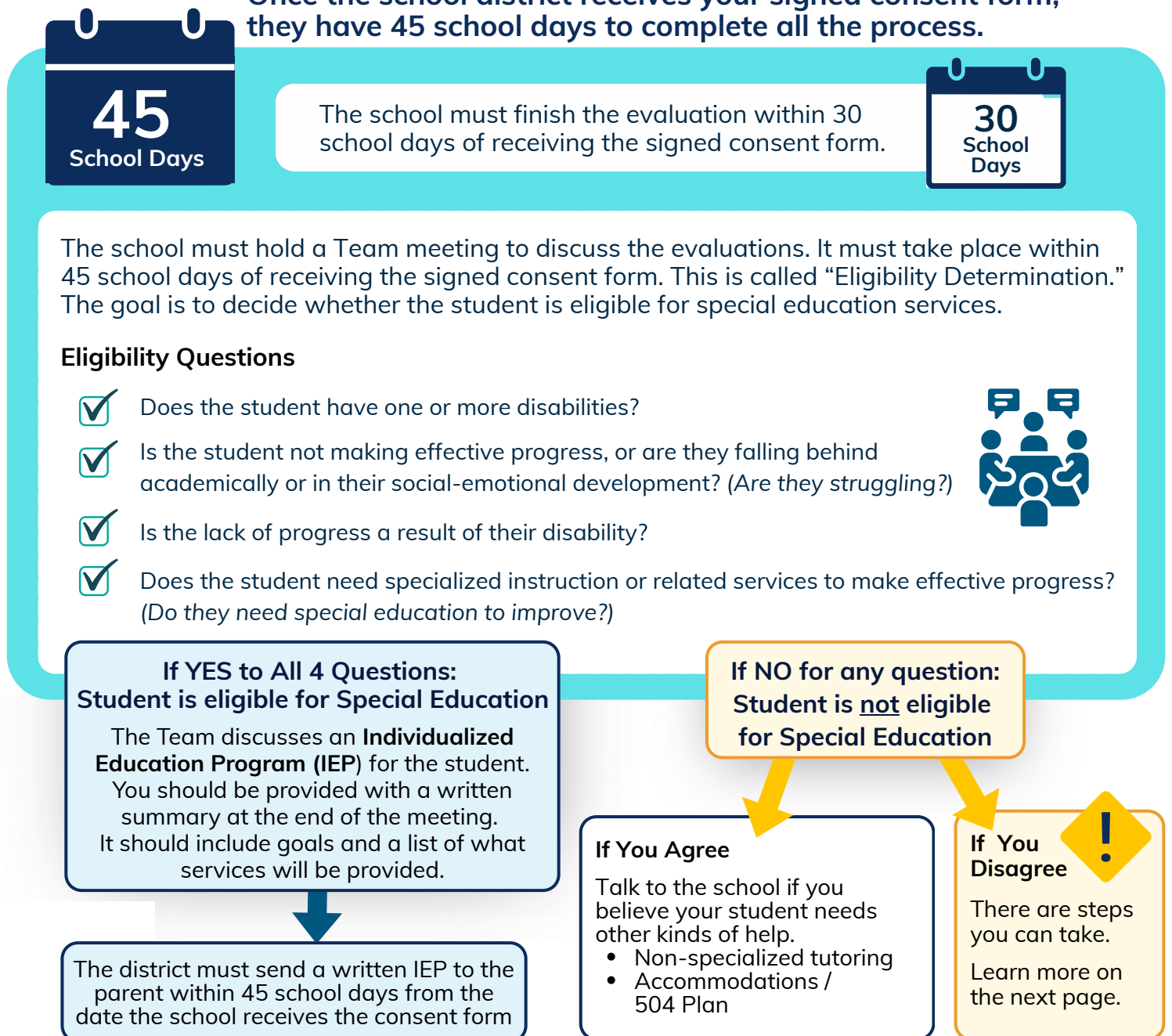
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Once the school district receives your signed consent form, they have 45 school days to complete all the process.



When You Receive the IEP

If your child has been found “**Eligible**” for special education, you should receive a written Individualized Education Program (IEP) within **45** school days from the date the school receives the consent form. It will include goals, services, accommodations, and modifications that meet their unique needs. It will also state the student’s “**placement**” where learning will take place.



You should respond to the IEP and Placement within 30 calendar days. Services can’t start until you sign the consent forms.



1. IEP Consent Form Options

☐ I Accept the IEP as developed

☐ I Reject the following portions
Write in what you disagree with. This could be part of the IEP or services that are missing.

☐ I Reject the IEP as developed
Fully rejecting the **first** IEP means **no** special education services will be provided until an agreement is reached.

2. Placement Consent Form Options

☐ I Consent to the Placement

☐ I Refuse the Placement

☐ I Request a meeting to discuss the refused placement



Accepted services should begin immediately after the signed IEP is received by the school.



Request a meeting to discuss anything you have rejected. If the team agrees to changes, a revised IEP should be sent to you.



As often as report cards

The school will send you **progress reports** that measure your child’s progress towards the IEP goals



Every Year

The IEP team must hold an **annual review meeting**. The goal is to check on student progress. Services can be adjusted, as well.



Every 3 Years

The school must **re-evaluate** your child every 3 years. Results are discussed at a “Redetermination” meeting. Services may be changed or removed at this meeting.



As Needed

You can request new evaluations if the student needs changes to their services. Students have the right to a **Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE)**.



If you don’t agree with the Evaluations or the Eligibility Determination, you have options.

- Independent Educational Evaluation (IEE).
- Mediation and/or Facilitator for TEAM meetings
- Problem Resolution System
- Office of Civil Rights (OCR) Complaint
- Bureau of Special Education Appeals (BSEA) due process hearing.



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