

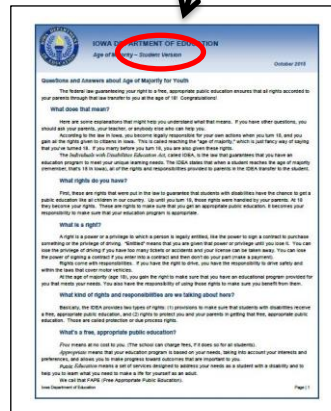
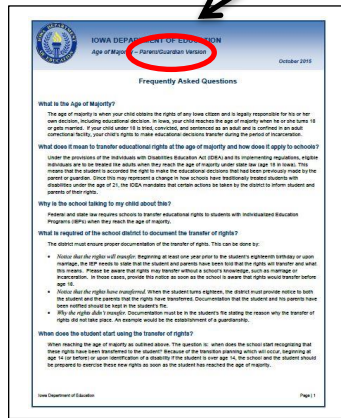
# AGE OF MAJORITY - CHEAT SHEET

- On page A of the IEP, the **date the student turns 18** is automatically filled in by the web IEP.

Rights will transfer at age 18: 04/11/2025 Notification: Student: 11/21/2019 Parent: 11/21/2019

- The current web IEP requires you to fill in the **student & parent date** once the web IEP generates the additional transitional information (the school year the student turns 14). This must be done or the IEP cannot be submitted.

- When you fill in this date, you are signifying that you have reviewed the Age of Majority information with the family **and** have provided them with copies of the new Age of Majority information. These include the [Parent's Guide](#) and the [Student's Guide](#).



Both of these may be found at:  
[Movingstudentsforward.org](http://Movingstudentsforward.org)

They can be printed from here.

- It is **BEST PRACTICE** to review this information (and give the above forms again) at the next several IEP meetings since parents may not see the relevance until their child is closer to age 17.


- CRITICAL INFORMATION** regarding the **notification dates**: (circled above in **RED**)

- This date **MUST BE** dated before the student's 17<sup>th</sup> birthday for compliance.
  - Example: The latest this one could be dated is 9/02/2015 since the student turns 18 on 9/02/2016.
- The notification date may be **updated** at the next IEP **AS LONG AS** the final notification date meets the above criteria (dated before the student's 17<sup>th</sup> birthday).
- NEVER** put a future date in this box! 😞 This date **CANNOT** be the date in the future when the student **WILL** turn 17, but must denote the **CURRENT DATE** you officially notified the student/family.

- This information is especially critical to parents who need to consider getting guardianship of their child. This is a legal process that must be done prior to the student's 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. That's why it is best practice to review it after the initial year of having to fill in the notification date (at age 14).

6. **DOCUMENTATION** that the student has turned 18:

- Iowa Code requires that district's document that the parent/student has been notified that they have reached the Age of Majority.
- This step needs to be improved!
- This [documentation form](#) can be found on the Moving Students Forward website under the Teacher tab.



**Prairie Lakes**  
Area Education Agency

**AGE OF MAJORITY**  
Documentation

Federal and state law requires schools to transfer educational rights to students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) when they reach the age of majority. In Iowa, the Age of Majority is 18. An 18 year old is presumed to be competent unless parent has filed for guardianship or an 18 year old has signed a power of attorney.

\_\_\_\_\_ has turned 18 on \_\_\_\_\_  
Student's name date

Student notified on: \_\_\_\_\_ date      Parent/Guardian notified on: \_\_\_\_\_ date

<input type="checkbox"/> In person	<input type="checkbox"/> In person
<input type="checkbox"/> By email	<input type="checkbox"/> By email
<input type="checkbox"/> By telephone	<input type="checkbox"/> By telephone
<input type="checkbox"/> By US Mail	<input type="checkbox"/> By US Mail
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____

\_\_\_\_\_ has acquired legal guardianship of the above student.  
Parent(s)/Guardian name

Copies to: Cum file    Parent(s)    Student

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- Print the documentation form and mark it according to your notification:
  - ✓ Give/send a copy to the student and parent.
  - ✓ **Be sure to place a copy in the student's cum file.**

\*\* For specific questions regarding Age of Majority, please contact one of the Transition Coordinators.