PUBLIC NOTICE

Gaston County Schools Exceptional Children's Office is hereby notifying the public of the intent to destroy <u>confidential special education records</u>. The public is duly notified that the former student or legal guardian of said student may need these records in the future for social security purposes, legal defense, or other reasons.

Former students (or their legal guardians) born in 1990 or before who received special education services while enrolled in Gaston County Schools may request a copy of the confidential special education file. A copy of the file may be requested by the former student or legal guardian by notifying the Exceptional Children's Office. Picture identification is required before records will be released to anyone. The person receiving the records will be asked to sign a form documenting receipt of the records.

To request records contact the Exceptional Children's Office at 215 W. Third Avenue, Gastonia, NC 28052 or 704-866-6160.

All confidential special education records of persons born in 1990 and before will be destroyed on or immediately after April 1, 2018.