Draft Rulemaking Change

**R7-2-401.E.4**

**Changes to the rule are in red.**

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1. **Upon the completion of the review of data meeting, if the determination is made that additional data are needed, the PEA must request parental consent and provide Prior Written Notice within five school days.**
2. **The consent form and Prior Written Notice may also be provided in the review of data meeting after the determination has been made that additional data are needed.**
3. **Each PEA must publish and make available to parents on its website, its procedures related to requesting an evaluation for special education, including the PEA points of contact for efficient communication.**