WHO ELSE CAN HELP?

FFLIC is here for you and will stick with you, so don’t hesitate to contact us at 504.708.8376 or fflic@fflic.org.

Within the System
It’s good to begin by looking for people within the system who want to help. Many don’t want to be bothered, but it’s a matter of finding the right person. Also, when you first have an issue or a concern within a charter school, usually the principal is the first person you go to. However, if the principal is not helpful, you might try emailing the school’s board members. If that’s not helpful, keep trying others at the next, higher level in the chain of command. Email your OPSB board member.

The board member of your child’s school may be different than the member where you live, so check both. Also, make sure you document all calls and emails.

Outside the system
There are a number of agencies serving youth and families. Many are simply referral agencies and will instruct you to call another agency. This can feel very frustrating. Some parents give up altogether. Again, FFLIC is here for you. In addition, we may also want to seek help from other agencies that specifically do legal and advocacy work. FFLIC has worked with a few organizations that we believe can help:

1. **Advocacy Center of Louisiana**
   - Address: 8325 Oak Street, New Orleans, LA 70118
   - Email: AdvocacyCenter@AdvocacyLA.org
   - Phone: 504-322-2337
   - Special Education

2. **Pyramid Parent Center**
   - Address: 8325 Oak Street, New Orleans, LA 70118
   - Email: info@PyramidParentCenter.org
   - Phone: 504-218-8922
   - Special Education

3. **Families Helping Families**
   - Address: 700 Hickory Ave, Harahan, LA 70123
   - Email: FamiliesHelpingFamilies@ILAC.org
   - Phone: 504-888-3111
   - Special Education

4. **Louisiana Center for Children’s Rights**
   - Address: 1000-8 Milton Street, New Orleans, LA 70122
   - Email: atest@lacr.org
   - Phone: 504-658-6860
   - Legal and Advocacy

5. **N.O. Community Accountability Project**
   - Phone: 504-722-6582
   - School Accountability and Advocacy

6. **Southern Poverty Law Center**
   - Email: VictorJones@SPLCenter.org
   - Phone: 504-526-1532
   - CheyenneBlackburn@SPLCenter.org
   - Legal and Advocacy

7. **Stand Up For Each Other**
   - Email: standupforeachother@gmail.com
   - Phone: 504-410-5437
   - Legal and Advocacy

8. **Youth Opportunity Center**
   - Phone: 504-218-5586
   - OPSB Case Management Services