



Why We Exist & What We're Up Against

Parental rights are the bedrock of a free society, and in Colorado, that foundation is under attack. Lawmakers have empowered the state to override families, inject ideology into classrooms, and conceal life-altering decisions from parents.

Each of these laws was passed — or protected — by legislators who believe the state knows better than you. These are just a few examples of how parental rights are being erased in Colorado:

1. Comprehensive Sexuality Without Parental Values

Bill: HB19-1032 Goes against a parent's right to guide a child's understanding of intimacy, relationships, and sexuality.

- ✦ Hands control of sex ed to activists
- ✦ Introduces gender ideology starting in 4th grade
- ✦ Cuts parents out of curriculum review
- ✦ Eliminates values-based teaching

2. Mental Health Services Without Parental Knowledge

Bills: HB21-1258, HB19-1120 - Removes the parent from vital conversations about their child's well-being, overriding parental authority and responsibility.

- ✦ Allows minors (12+) to access therapy without parental consent
- ✦ Parents aren't notified or consulted
- ✦ Outsources decisions to state-funded NGOs
- ✦ Breaks trust between families and schools

3. Taxpayer-Funded Abortion & Transition Procedures

Bills: HB22-1279, SB23-189, SB25-183, HB25-1309, HB25-1312 - Removes a parent's authority and uses their tax dollars to fund policies that undermine their deeply-held values.

- ✦ Forces insurance to cover abortion & gender treatments
- ✦ Taxpayer-funded, despite personal or religious objections
- ✦ Allows minors to access puberty blockers, hormones, and surgeries
- ✦ No parental knowledge or consent required
- ✦ Removes conscience protections for families and businesses

4. Gender Identity: The State Decides, Not You

Bill: HB24-1039 - *Replaces the parent-child bond with state-imposed ideology, overriding a parent's role and right to protect their child.*

- ✦ Schools affirm gender identity changes without telling parents
- ✦ Staff punished for using legal names
- ✦ Parents excluded from deeply personal decisions

5. No Private Spaces for Women or Girls

Bill: HB23-1057 - Strips away a parent's right to ensure their children's safety in public spaces.

- ✦ Mandates gender-neutral bathrooms in public buildings
- ✦ Eliminates women-only spaces
- ✦ Undermines privacy and safety for girls

What They Killed Instead

While passing laws that weaken the family, legislators blocked commonsense protections that parents overwhelmingly support:

✗ HB25-1073 – Keep Child Rapists Behind Bars

Would have ensured longer sentences for child rapists and stronger protections for victims. Killed in committee without serious consideration.

They refused to protect children from predators—yet claim to protect them from their own parents.

✗ Parental Bill of Rights: HCR25-1003 HRC23-1004

Would have allowed the people to have enshrined parental authority in the Colorado Constitution, ensuring the right to direct your child's education, healthcare, and upbringing.

Both resolutions were killed in committee. Lawmakers refused to let voters decide.

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