

Article 3 - best interests of the child

- ❖ All discussions and decisions about the child should be taken in consideration of their happiness, security, mental health and emotional development into child's life. (FindLaw, 2020)
- ❖ It should be top priority as every action in child's life impacts them.
- ❖ In child custody cases the child comes first on all decisions in the best interest of child.

Article 12 - respect for the views of the child

- ❖ Every child has the right to say how they feel and think about all situations that affect them.
- ❖ Be able to express their emotions and views to make them feel important and heard
- ❖ If it impacts their life they should have the right to give their opinion to give them a better future
- ❖ What they have to say should be taken seriously by adults.
- ❖ Examples could be like going to a new school, looking for a new house or going on holiday the child has the to express how they feel and share ideas.

Article 23 - children with a disability

- ❖ Any child with any disability has the right to live a decent a life.
- ❖ Governments must support them and their families
- ❖ Families with a child that has disability gets help with certain things like financial support to take care of child

Article 28 - right to education

- ❖ Every single child has the right to free education
- ❖ Have the right to both primary and secondary school
(Article 28 - I have the right to an education - The Children and Young People's Commissioner Scotland, 2020)
- ❖ No matter if they are in detention or refuge they are still entitled to the right of education and those in less advantaged countries should be helped by the more advantaged countries
- ❖ Any sort of discipline in schools given to child must respect the child's dignity and rights.

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