

PARENT/STUDENT RIGHTS UNDER SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT

Please Keep This Explanation for Future Reference

(Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973)

The following is a description of the rights granted by federal law to students with disabilities. The intent of the law is to keep you fully informed concerning decisions about your child and to inform you of your rights if you disagree with any of these decisions.

You have the right

1. Have your child take part in, and receive from public education programs without discrimination because of his/her disabling conditions.
2. Have the School district advise you of your rights under Federal law.
3. Receive notice with respect to identification, evaluation, or placement of your child. Parent consent must be obtained before conducting an evaluation and placement.
4. Have your child receive a free appropriate public education. This includes the right to be educated with nondisabled students to the maximum extent appropriate. It also includes the right to have the school district make reasonable accommodations to allow your child an equal opportunity to participate in school and school-related activities.
5. Have your child educated in facilities and receive services comparable to those provided to non-disabled students.
6. Have your child receive special education and related services if necessary for an appropriate education.
7. Have evaluation, educational, and placement decisions based upon a variety of information sources, and by persons who know the student, the evaluation data, and placement options.
8. Have transportation provided to and from an alternative placement setting at no greater cost to you than would be incurred if the student were placed in a program operated by the district.
9. Have your child be given an equal opportunity to participate in nonacademic and extra-curricular activities offered by the district.
10. Examine all relevant records relating to decisions regarding your child's identification, evaluation, educational program, and placement.
11. Obtain copies of educational records at a reasonable cost unless the fee would effectively deny you access to the records.
12. A response from the school district to reasonable requests for explanations and interpretations of your child's records.
13. Request amendment of your child's educational records if there is reasonable cause to believe that they are: inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the privacy rights of your child. If the school district refuses this; request for amendment, it shall notify you within a reasonable time and advise you of the right to a hearing.

14. Request an impartial due process hearing related to decisions or actions regarding your child's identification, evaluation, educational program placement. You and the student may take part in the hearing and have an attorney represent you. Hearing requests must be made to the District Section 504 Coordinator.
15. File a local grievance.

The person in this district who is responsible for assuring that the district complies with Section 504 is:

Section 504 Coordinator

Telephone Number

School District

It is the policy of the _____ School -District to provide a free and appropriate public education to all students with disabilities within its jurisdiction.

Students who are disabled consistent with the definitions set forth in Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 will be identified, evaluated and provided with appropriate instruction and educational services. Persons who have a record of having a disability or are incorrectly regarded by some as having a disability shall not be subjected to discrimination based on his/her record or the inaccurate perceptions of others.