



## **Section 504 Procedural Safeguards**

### Parent and Student Rights Under Section 504:

- 1.) Parents and students have the right to be informed by the School District of their rights under Section 504. The purpose of these Procedural Safeguards is to advise you of those rights.
- 2.) Under Section 504, your child has the right to a free appropriate public education designed to meet his or her educational needs as adequately as the needs of non-disabled students are met.
- 3.) Your child has the right to free educational services, with the exception of certain costs normally also paid by the parents of non-disabled students. Funds available from any public or private agency may be used to meet this requirement. Under the law, insurers and other third parties are not relieved from an otherwise valid obligation to provide or pay for services to a student that becomes eligible for services under Section 504.
- 4.) Your child has the right to take part in, and receive benefits from, public education programs without discrimination because of his/her disability.
- 5.) The parent(s)/guardian of a child with a disability have the right to receive notice with respect to identification, evaluation, or placement of their child.
- 6.) Your child has the right to receive services and be educated in facilities that are comparable to those provided to nondisabled students.
- 7.) Your child has the right to have evaluation, education and placement decisions made based on a variety of information sources, and by persons who know the student and are knowledgeable about the evaluation data and placement options. The student also has the right to be periodically reevaluated.
- 8.) Your child has an equal opportunity to participate in nonacademic and extracurricular activities offered by the District.

- 9.) Your child has the right to have transportation provided to and from an alternative placement setting (if the setting is in a program not operated by the District) at no greater cost to the parent/guardian than would be incurred if the student were placed in a program operated by the District.
- 10.) You or an eligible student (over the age of 18) have the right to examine all relevant records relating to decisions regarding the student's identification, evaluation and placement.
- 11.) You, or an eligible student and/or the District have the right to request an impartial due process hearing relating to decisions or actions relating to the student's identification, evaluation, program or placement and you have the right to be represented by counsel in such hearings. The parents or guardian or eligible student and/or the District also have the right to a review procedure involving such hearings. To request an impartial due process hearing, contact The District's Section 504 Coordinator Nicole Richards Regional Learning Support and Compliance Manager, and may be reached at (314) 450-7651 ext 4662
- 12.) You, or an eligible student, have the right to file a local grievance with the District for issues unrelated to the identification, evaluation, program or placement of the student. Can be requested by contacting The District's Section 504 Coordinator Nicole Richards Regional Learning Support and Compliance Manager, and may be reached at (314) 450-7651 ext 4662
- 13.) Persons who believe that the District is discriminating against eligible persons on the basis of disability may also file complaints with the District's Section 504 Coordinator and/or the Office for Civil Rights (OCR, U.S. Department of Education, 601 E. 12<sup>th</sup> St., Kansas City, Missouri 64106).
- 14.) The District's Section 504 Coordinator Nicole Richards Regional Learning Support and Compliance Manager, and may be reached at (314) 450-7651 ext 4662