

STUDENT AND PARENT RIGHTS UNDER SECTION 504

YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO:

1. Have your child take part in and receive benefits from public education programs without discrimination based on a disability.
2. Be advised as to your rights under federal law.
3. Receive written notice with respect to the identification, evaluation, or placement of your child.
4. Have your child receive a free appropriate public education. This includes the right to be educated with other students without disabilities to the maximum extent appropriate within the “least restrictive environment.” It also includes the right to have the District provide related aids and services and/or make accommodations to allow your child an equal opportunity to participate in school and school-related activities.
5. Have your child be educated in facilities and receive services comparable to those provided to students without disabilities.
6. Have your child receive special education and related services if she/he is eligible to do so under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act or receive related aids, services, and accommodations under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act.
7. Have eligibility, education, and placement decisions made based upon a variety of information sources and by individuals who know your child, the evaluation data, and placement options.
8. Have transportation be provided to a school 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. Give your child an equal opportunity to participate in non-academic and extracurricular 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. Receive a response from the 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 District refuses this request, it shall notify you within a reasonable time, and advise you of the right to a hearing.
14. File a complaint with the District when you believe your child’s rights have been violated. The complaint will be reviewed, investigated, and addressed pursuant to District policy JBB-R.
15. Request an impartial due process hearing related to decisions regarding your child’s identification, evaluation, educational program, or placement. You and your child may take part in the hearing and have an attorney represent you at your own cost. The District’s hearing procedures are outlined in District policy JBB-R.
16. File a formal complaint with the regional Office for Civil Rights (Denver Office):

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