Wawasee Community School Corporation
504 PARENT RIGHTS

Date Rights Provided:		How Rights Were Provided:	

Under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and its regulations, students with disabilities are entitled to be free from discrimination solely on the basis of their disabilities.
In addition, they have the right to equally access their educational environment and receive a free appropriate public education that meets their educational needs as adequately as the needs of nondisabled students are met.
Students determined by a 504 Team to have a disability under Section 504 include those with an Individual Health Care Plan, those eligible for Hospital/Homebound services, and those determined to be in need of special education services. There are procedural safeguards and parent rights notices that must be provided.

Under Section 504 and with respect to educational actions taken by the School District regarding the identification, evaluation, or educational placement of your child, **you have the right to receive**:

- **Notice**;
- **An opportunity to examine relevant records**;
- **An impartial hearing**, with an opportunity for participation and representation by counsel; and
- **A review procedure**.

Should you wish to challenge the educational actions of the School District regarding identification, evaluation, or placement of your child by initiating an impartial 504 hearing, please contact the District's Section 504 Coordinator (contact information below) **within 30 calendar days** from the date you received notice of the District's action(s). An impartial 504 hearing will be scheduled before an impartial hearing officer, who will notify you of the date, time, and location of the hearing. You have the right to request a review of the decision in a court of competent jurisdiction.

You may also file a grievance with the District's 504 Coordinator regarding actions by the District or matters of disability discrimination that may affect your child's identification, evaluation, placement, or access. The Coordinator will investigate the allegations to the extent warranted and work to reach a prompt, equitable resolution.

You also have the right to file a complaint with the **Office for Civil Rights (OCR)** if you believe the District has discriminated against your child on the basis of disability or denied your child a free appropriate public education under Section 504. Information about filing an OCR complaint can be found online at: **https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/howto.html** OCR's contact information is: InsertapplicableOCRofficeinformation.Insert applicable OCR office information.InsertapplicableOCRofficeinformation.

If you have any questions or concerns about Section 504, please contact the District's Section 504 Coordinator at:

504 coordinator info here

Original: To Parents
Copy: To Student 504 File