Section 504 – Notice of Parents' Rights

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 is a nondiscrimination statute prohibiting discrimination against persons solely on the basis of disability, including students, staff members, or other participants in the educational programs, employment, or other activities of school districts receiving Federal financial assistance. Individual or parent (guardian) rights under Section 504 include the following:

- Right to have your child participate in public education programs without discrimination because of his/her disability;
- Right to be informed of your rights under federal law;
- Right to receive notice with respect to identification and evaluation to determine the eligibility of the individual (student) for necessary to provide access to educational programs;
- Right to have your child educated in facilities and to receive services comparable to those provided to non-disabled students;
- Right to be informed of any proposed action related to determination of eligibility, development of a plan for services, and educational placement of your child;
- Right to examine all relevant educational records;
- Right to receive all information in the parent's or guardian's native language and primary mode of communication;
- Right to periodic reevaluations and an evaluation before any significant change in program or service modification; and
- Right to request a hearing before an impartial hearing officer if there is disagreement with the decisions reached by school personnel regarding your child's identification, evaluation, educational program (i.e., accommodations necessary for access to educational programming and/or facilities), or placement.

You may contact the District's Section 504 Coordinator with additional questions.

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