

INSTRUCTION**Identification and Education Under Section 504**

The Governing Board recognizes the need to identify and evaluate children with disabilities in order to provide them with a free, appropriate public education. Under Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, individuals with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, including learning, are eligible to receive services and aides designed to meet their needs as adequately as the needs of non-disabled students are met.

The Superintendent or designee shall establish screening and evaluation procedures to be used whenever there is reason to believe that a student has a disability that limits his/her ability to attend or function at school.

To evaluate the student's eligibility under Section 504, the Superintendent or designee shall convene a Section 504 student study team of no fewer than three professionals knowledgeable about the student's individual needs and school history, the meaning of evaluation data and accommodation options. The student's parent/guardian shall be invited to participate on this team.

If the student is found to have a disability that requires services under Section 504, the Section 504 student study team shall develop a written accommodation plan for the student. After reviewing the nature of the disability and how it affects the student's education, the Section 504 student study team shall determine what modifications and/or special services and aids are needed. The student shall be educated with non-disabled students to the maximum extent appropriate to the student's individual needs.

The Section 504 student study team shall provide the parent/guardian with a written copy of the accommodation plan and notice of procedural safeguards guaranteed by law.

Legal Reference:	Education Code
	49423.5 Specialized Physical Health Care Services
	Code of Regulations, Title 5
	3051.12 Health and Nursing Services
	United States Code, Title 20
	1232g Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act of 1974
	1400, et.seq. Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
	United States Code, Title 29
	701, et.seq. Rehabilitation Act of 1973
	794 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504

Code of Federal Regulations, Title 34

104.1-104.61 Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap

104.1 Purpose to Effectuate Section 504 of the
Rehabilitation Act of 1973

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