Notice of Parent and Student Rights under Section 504

The following is a description of student and parent rights granted by federal law. The intent of the law is to keep you fully informed concerning decisions about your child and to inform you of your rights if you disagree with any of these decisions.

**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. Have the school district advise you as to your rights under federal law.

3. Receive notice with respect to identification, evaluation, or placement of your child. Your written permission is required before initial formal evaluation of your child can begin.

4. Have your child receive a free appropriate public education. This includes the right to be educated with other students to the extent appropriate. It also includes the right to have the school district make reasonable accommodations to allow your child an equal opportunity to participate in school and school-related activities.

5. Have your child educated in facilities and receive services comparable to those provided students without disabilities.

6. Have your child receive special education and related services if she/he is found to be eligible under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) (PL101- 476), or if found to be eligible to receive accommodations under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, or the Americans with Disabilities Act.

7. Have evaluations, educational, and placement decisions made based upon a variety of information sources, and by individuals who know the student, the evaluation data, and placement options.
8. Give your child an equal opportunity to participate in nonacademic, athletic, and extracurricular activities offered by the school district.

9. Examine all relevant records relating to decisions regarding your child’s identification, evaluation, educational program, and placement.

10. Obtain copies of educational records at a reasonable cost if the fee would effectively deny you access to the records.

11. Receive a response from the school district to reasonable requests for explanations and interpretations of your child’s records.

12. 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 school district refuses this request, it shall notify you within a reasonable time, and advise you of the right to a hearing. If the decision is not to amend the record, you have the right to a hearing. If the decision is not to amend the record, you have the right to place a dissenting statement.

13. Request mediation or 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.

14. Submit a Section 504 complaint form to the District 504 Coordinator.

The person in the school district who is responsible for Section 504/ADA compliance is:

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Telephone Number