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## **521 STUDENT DISABILITY NONDISCRIMINATION**

### **I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to protect disabled students from discrimination on the basis of disability and to identify and evaluate learners who, within the intent of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, need services, accommodations, or programs in order that such learners may receive the required free appropriate public education.

### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

- A. Disabled students are protected from discrimination on the basis of a disability.
- B. The responsibility of the school district is to identify and evaluate learners who, within the intent of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, need services, accommodations, or programs in order that such learners may receive the required free appropriate public education.
- C. For this policy, a learner who is protected under Section 504 is one who:
  - 1. has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, including learning; or
  - 2. has a record of such impairment; or
  - 3. is regarded as having such impairment.
- D. Learners may be protected from disability discrimination and be eligible for services under the provisions of Section 504 even though they do not require IEP services pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

### **III. COORDINATOR**

Persons who have questions, comments, or wish to make a complaint regarding a disability discrimination matter should contact the Unique Learners Manager. This person is the school district's Americans with Disabilities Act/Section 504 coordinator.

*Legal References:* 29 U.S.C. § 794 et seq. (504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973)  
34 C.F.R. Part 104 (Section 504 Implementing Regulations)  
*Cross References:* Chisago Lakes Policy 402 (Disability Nondiscrimination)

### **TECHNOLOGY USE - CONSISTENCY WITH OTHER SCHOOL POLICIES**

Use of the school district Internet system; computer system; electronic devices of any kind, used within the district confines, shall be consistent with school district policies and the mission of the school district. (*Refer to Policy 524 – Internet, Computer and Equipment Usage; Personal Devices Usage in School Guidelines; and other pertinent district policies as applicable.*)