

## SPECIAL EDUCATION AND SECTION 504 CHILDFIND NOTICE

Fryeburg Academy, in conjunction with MSAD #72, has a duty to locate, evaluate and identify any student enrolled at FA in need of special education or any student enrolled at FA who may require accommodations through Section 504.

Disability categories for special education include: autism, deaf-blindness, emotional disability, hearing impairment, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairment, specific learning disability, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, visual impairment including blindness, speech and language impairment, deafness, and intellectual disability.

Children eligible for Section 504 accommodations or services include those children who have a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity.

School staff, parents, agency representatives or other individuals with knowledge of the student may refer a given student to an IEP Team if they believe that the student, because of a disability, may be in need of special education and supportive services in order to benefit from regular education.

If you suspect your child has a disability and may need special education services or 504 accommodations, or if you would like additional information, please contact your child's school counselor, dean, or call Sarah Arsenault, Fryeburg Academy's Special Services Coordinator, at 207-935-2001, ext. 3145, or Fryeburg Academy's 504 Coordinator, Michelle Davenport at 207-935-2001, ext. 3122.

The Procedural Safeguards ([linked here](#)) set forth in the Maine Unified Special Education Regulations are the rights that apply when children are: in the referral process for special education; or already identified under special education; or whose parents believe should be identified under special education. If the student is an adult student, the rights apply to the adult student.