

# **SAN MATEO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## **Section 504 Plan • Parent/Guardian Rights Afforded by Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973**

The following is a description of the rights granted by federal law to students with handicaps, as outlined under Section 504. 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 because of his/her handicapping conditions.
2. Have the local school system advise you of your rights under federal law.
3. Receive notice with respect to identification, evaluation, or placement of your child.
4. Have your child receive a free appropriate public education.
5. Have your child receive services and be educated in facilities which are comparable to those provided to non-handicapped students.
6. Have evaluation, educational, and placement decisions made based on a variety of information sources, and by persons who know the students and who are knowledgeable about the evaluation data and placement options.
7. Have your child be given an equal opportunity to participate in nonacademic and extracurricular activities offered by the local school system.
8. Examine all relevant records relating to decisions regarding your child's identification, evaluation, and placement.
9. Request mediation or an impartial due process hearing related to decisions or actions regarding your child's identification, evaluation, educational program, or placement. (You and your child may take part in the hearing and be represented by counsel. Hearing requests must be made to the District 504 Compliance Officer.)
10. File a local grievance.

The Section 504 Compliance Officer for the San Mateo Union High School District is

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