

Macon R-1 School District

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. Be advised of your rights and the district's obligations under Section 504. That is the purpose of this notice.
3. Receive notice with respect to Section 504 identification, evaluation and placement of your child.
4. Have your child receive a free appropriate public education (FAPE). This includes the right to be educated with nondisabled students to the maximum extent appropriate. It also includes the right to have the school provide accommodations, modifications and services 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 to students without disabilities.
6. Have your child evaluated prior to the school making any decisions about whether your child has a disability or his/her placement.
7. Have evaluation and placement decisions made based upon a variety of information sources, and by a multidisciplinary group of individuals who know the student, disability, evaluation data, and placement options.
8. Request to audio record your child's 504 meeting when the school is given at least 24 hours advance notice.
9. Have transportation provided to a school placement setting at no greater cost to you than would be incurred if the student were placed in a program operated by the school district.
10. Give your child an equal opportunity to participate in non-academic and extracurricular activities offered by the school district.
11. Request changes in your child's educational program.
12. Have your child re-evaluated periodically and prior to any significant change of placement
13. Examine all relevant records relating to decisions regarding your child's identification, evaluation, educational program, and placement.
14. Request amendment of your child's educational records if there is reasonable cause to believe they are inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of your child's privacy rights.
15. File a local grievance in accordance with Board Policy with the school district if you feel your child is being discriminated against because of their disability.
16. If you disagree with the decisions of the Section 504 multidisciplinary team regarding the student's evaluation, eligibility, educational placement, and/or accommodations, modifications and services, you have the right to request an impartial hearing. You will have the opportunity to participate in the hearing and may be represented by counsel at your expense.
17. Contact the district Section 504 Coordinator or the Office for Civil Rights or other agencies to file a complaint.

The designated building Section 504 Coordinator for your child is the district special services director.

The designated district Section 504 Coordinator is:

Special Services Director

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