504 Services

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act requires that reasonable accommodations be made for individuals with disabilities within the regular classroom setting. A student may be eligible for a 504 plan if he/she has been diagnosed or is regarded as having a medical condition that impacts a major life function. Examples of medical conditions include, but are not limited to: diabetes, vision impairments, ADHD, food allergies, learning disabilities, autoimmune diseases.

Accommodations are modifications made by classroom teacher(s) and other school staff to help students access their program of education. Examples of reasonable accommodations may include:

- Large print textbooks
- Modifying recess, physical education, or lunch,
- Providing study guides or other organizational tools
- Offering additional time on assignments and/or tests.

If your child has been diagnosed with a physical or mental disability that impacts his/her functioning at school, please contact your child's principal to request an evaluation under Section 504. The school's Child Study Team will contact you to set up a meeting to discuss an evaluation, as they will look to collect additional information. The process for a 504 evaluation is available here. Please note that the team will request a copy of any evaluation reports/diagnoses, as well a release of information to speak with the professional providing the diagnosis, as a component of this process.

Links and Documents

• US Dept. of Education Office of Civil Rights: FAQ About Section 504