

Section 504 Student and Parent Rights

Below is a description of the rights granted under Section 504 to students with disabilities. The intent of the law is to keep you fully informed concerning decisions about the student and to inform you of your rights if you disagree with any of the decisions made.

If your student is identified for Section 504 services, among other things, you have the right to the following:

1. Have your student take part in and receive benefits from public education programs without discrimination based on his/her disability;
2. Have the school district advise you of your rights under federal law;
3. Receive written notice with respect to identification, evaluation, or placement of your student;
4. Have your student receive a free and appropriate public education. This includes the right to be educated with other students without disabilities to the maximum extent appropriate.
5. Have the school district make accommodations to allow your student an equal opportunity to participate in school and school related activities;
6. Have your student educated in facilities and receive services comparable to those provided students without disabilities;
7. Have your student receive related services if he/she is found to be eligible under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act;
8. Have transportation provided to and from an alternative placement setting at no greater cost to you than would be incurred if the student was placed in a program operated by the district;
9. Give your student an equal opportunity to participate in appropriate nonacademic and extracurricular activities offered by the school;
10. Examine all relevant records relating to decisions regarding your student's identification, evaluation, educational program, and placement;
11. Obtain copies of educational records at a reasonable cost unless the fee would effectively deny you access to the records;
12. Receive a response from the school to reasonable requests for explanations and interpretations of your student's records.

13. Request amendment of your student's educational records if there is reasonable cause to believe that they are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the privacy rights of your student. If the school district refuses this request for amendment, it shall notify you within a reasonable time, and advise you of the right to a hearing;

14. File a local grievance.

15. Request mediation or an impartial due process hearing related to decisions regarding your student's identification, evaluation, educational program, or placement. You and your student may take part in the hearing and have an attorney or family advocate represent you.

16. File a complaint with the Office of Civil Rights.

The person at the school who is responsible for Section 504 compliance is Scott Cakerice.

Scott Cakerice can be reached at 206 E. 8th St., St. Ansgar, Iowa 50427 (641)713-2331.

I acknowledge that I have been provided access to the *Section 504 Student and Parental Rights* document and understand the rights afforded to me.

Printed name: _____

Relationship to Student: _____

Date ____/____/____

Signature: _____