



Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Section 504)

Section 504 is a civil rights law that states any educational institution receiving federal funding is required to make accommodations that address the needs of your child's disability. Section 504 is enforced by the U.S. Department of Education.

Entities falling under their jurisdiction includes:

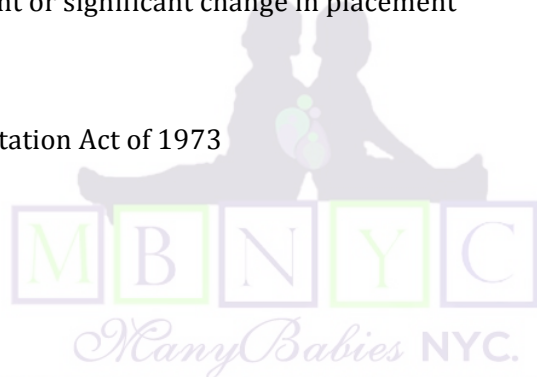
- Public school districts
- Institutions of higher education
- Other state and local education agencies

The U.S. Department of Education has published Regulation "34 C.F.R. Part 104". This regulation was designed to eliminate discrimination because of your handicap in any program receiving federal assistance. If a student fails to qualify for special education under IDEA, they may be referred for a 504 evaluation.

The Section 504 regulation requires a school district to provide a FAPE to each qualified person with a disability who is in the school district's jurisdiction, regardless of the nature or severity of the person's disability. This means:

- Students with and without disabilities can be placed in the same setting, if it is deemed appropriate to the academic needs of the students with disabilities.
- Public school districts, institutions of higher education, and other state and local education agencies must place a person with a disability in the regular education environment (also referred to a general education class), unless it is demonstrated that the student's needs cannot be met satisfactorily with the use of supplementary aids and services.
- Students with disabilities must participate with nondisabled students in both academic and nonacademic services, including meals, recess, and physical education, to the maximum extent appropriate to their individual needs.
- Section 504 requires the use of evaluation and placement procedures that ensure that children are not misclassified, unnecessarily labeled as having a disability, or incorrectly placed, based on inappropriate selection, administration, or interpretation of evaluation materials.
- At no cost to the parents, the school district must conduct or arrange for an individual evaluation to determine the placement or significant change in placement of a child who has a disability.

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