

# Moscow School District # 281

## Section 504 Parent/Student Rights to Identification, Evaluation and Placement

*A brief review of your rights under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973*

(Please keep this explanation for future reference.)

The following is a description of the rights granted by federal law to students with disabilities. 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 or her disability.
2. Have the school district 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. This includes the right to be educated with nondisabled students to the maximum extent appropriate
5. Have your child educated in facilities and receive services comparable to those provided to nondisabled students.
6. Have your child receive regular or special education and related aids and services if he or she needs such services.
7. Have identification, evaluation, and placement decisions made based upon a variety of information sources and by persons who know your child, the evaluation data and placement options.
8. Have educational and related aids and services provided to your child without cost except for those fees imposed on the parents/guardians of non-disabled children.
9. Have your child be given an equal opportunity to participate in nonacademic and extracurricular activities offered by the school district.
10. Examine all relevant records relating to decisions regarding your child's identification, evaluation, educational program and placement.
11. Receive a response from the school district to reasonable requests for explanations and interpretations of your child's records.
12. Request amendments of your child'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 child. If the school district refuses this request for amendment, it will notify you

within a reasonable amount of time and advise you of the right to a hearing.

13. Request 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 have an attorney represent you, if you wish to hire an attorney. Hearing requests must be made to the individual identified below.
14. The right to file suit directly in any court of competent jurisdiction alleging a violation of Section 504.
15. File a grievance following the school district grievance procedure on matters other than your child's identification, evaluation, and placement.
16. File a complaint with the Office for Civil Rights, 915 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Room 3310, Seattle, WA 98174-1099.

**Note:** The person in this district who is responsible for assuring that the district complies with Section 504 is:

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\*This form was approved by the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) in December 2012 as part of a Voluntary Resolution Agreement involving an Idaho school district.