IDENTIFICATION AND EDUCATION UNDER SECTION 504

The Yolo County Governing Board believes that all children, including children with disabilities, should have the opportunity to learn in a safe and nurturing environment. The Yolo County Superintendent of Schools or designee shall work to identify children with disabilities who reside within the jurisdiction of the County Office in order to ensure that they receive educational and related services required by law.

The County Superintendent or designee shall provide students with disabilities who meet educational criteria with a free appropriate public education (FAPE), as defined under Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Such students shall receive regular or special education and related aids and services designed to meet their individual educational needs as adequately as the needs of students without disabilities are met. (34 CFR 104.33)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)
(cf. 0430 - Comprehensive Local Plan for Special Education)
(cf. 5141.21 - Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions)
(cf. 5141.22 - Infectious Diseases)
(cf. 5141.23 - Asthma Management)
(cf. 5141.24 - Specialized Health Care Services)
(cf. 5141.27 - Food Allergies/Special Dietary Needs)
(cf. 5144.2 - Suspension and Expulsion/Due Process (Students with Disabilities))
(cf. 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education)

In addition, students with disabilities who meet educational criteria shall be provided an equal opportunity to participate in programs and activities that are integral components of the County Office's basic education program, including, but not limited to, extracurricular athletics, interscholastic sports, and/or other nonacademic activities. (34 CFR 104.37)

(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities)
(cf. 6145.2 - Athletic Competition)
(cf. 6145.5 - Student Organizations and Equal Access)
IDENTIFICATION AND EDUCATION UNDER SECTION 504 (continued)

In providing services to students with disabilities under Section 504, the County Superintendent or designee shall ensure County Office compliance with law, including providing the students and their parents/guardians with applicable procedural safeguards and required notifications. Any dispute as to the identification, evaluation, or placement of any student with a disability shall be resolved in accordance with the processes specified in the "Procedural Safeguards" section of the accompanying administrative regulation.

The County Superintendent or designee shall maintain a list of impartial hearing officers who are qualified and willing to conduct Section 504 hearings. To ensure impartiality, such officers shall not be employed by or under contract with the County Office in any other capacity except as hearing officer and shall not have any professional or personal involvement that would affect their impartiality or objectivity in the matter.

Legal Reference:
EDUCATION CODE
49423.5 Specialized physical health care services
52052 Accountability; numerically significant student subgroups
52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan
56043 Special education, timelines
56321 Assessment; development of IEP; parental notifications, consent
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
3051.12 Health and Nursing Services
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20
1232g Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974
1400-1482 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 29
705 Definitions; Vocational Rehabilitation Act
794 Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 42
12101-12213 Americans with Disabilities Act
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 28
35.101-35.190 Nondiscrimination on the basis of disability in state and local government services
CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 34
104.1-104.61 Nondiscrimination on the basis of handicap, especially:
104.1 Purpose to effectuate Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
104.3 Definitions
104.32 Location and notification
IDENTIFICATION AND EDUCATION UNDER SECTION 504 (continued)

104.33 Free appropriate public education
104.34 Educational setting
104.35 Evaluation and placement
104.36 Procedural safeguards
104.37 Nonacademic services
104.7 Responsible employee; grievance procedures

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