

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Is a non –discrimination statute barring discrimination on the basis of one’s disability. Section 504 states: No otherwise qualified individual with a disability shall solely by reason of her or his disability, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

*Exceptional Student
Services*

You have the right to a Due Process Hearing

Superintendent’s Designee
Domoine Rutledge
1050 South Foster Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70806
Phone: (225) 922-5400

**You have the right to file an
appeal in accordance with
established
East Baton Rouge Parish
School System
Policy.**

**You have the right to file a
complaint with the
Office of Civil Rights**

US Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202-1475

1-(800) 421-3481

Phone: (202) 453-6020

Or **Regional Office**

1999 Bryan Street, Suite 1620

Dallas, TX 75201-6810

(214) 661-9600

EBR 504 Coordinator

East Baton Rouge Parish
School System

Cherry C. Matthews

1070 Tunica Street

Baton Rouge, LA 70806

(225) 226-4745

East Baton Rouge Parish School System
Office of Exceptional Student Services

Phone: (225) 929 -8600

Parent and Student Rights Procedural Safeguards Under Section 504 Rehabilitation Act of 1973



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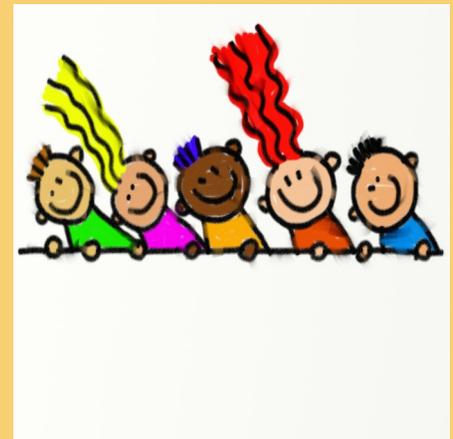


Parent and Student Rights Procedural Safeguards

The purpose of this notice is to inform parents and students of their entitlement to

Rights Under Section 504

1. You have the right to be informed by the school district under Section 504.
2. Your child has a right to a free appropriate public education (FAPE) designed to meet his/her individual educational needs as adequately as the needs of non-disabled students are met.
3. Your child has a right to free educational services except for those fees that are imposed on non-disabled students or their parents.
4. Your child has a right to be educated with children who are not disabled, to the maximum extent appropriate.
5. Your child has a right to facilities, services and activities that are comparable to those provided for non-disabled students.
6. Your child has a right to an evaluation prior to an Initial Section 504 placement and subsequent significant change of placement. You also have a right to request such an evaluation.
7. You have the right to receive notice and offer consent with respect to decisions regarding formal identification, evaluation and placement of your child.
8. Evaluation and placement decisions must be made by a group of persons (ie, the Section 504 Committee), including persons knowledgeable about your child, the meaning of the evaluation data, the placement options, and the legal requirements for least restrictive environment and comparable facilities.
9. If eligible under Section 504, your child has the right to periodic formal or informal re-evaluations, generally every three years.
10. You have the right to be notified prior to any action by the district in regard to the identification, evaluation, or placement of your child.
11. You have the right to examine relevant records and documents regarding your child.
12. You have the right to file a grievance if you believe that your child is being discriminated against on the basis of his/her disability. You may file a grievance or complaint with the district's Section 504 Coordinator/designee, who will investigate the allegations to the extent warranted. All efforts will be made to reach a prompt and equitable resolution.



In compliance with federal law, the East Baton Rouge Parish School System administers all educational programs, employment activities and admissions without discrimination because of race, religion, national or ethnic origin, color, age, military service, disability, or gender, except where exemption is appropriate and allowed by law.