

Section 504

Section 504 is a federal statute that prohibits discrimination based upon a disability. Obligations for school districts start when federal funds are received.

Section 504 covers eligible children, employees, and other individuals with disabilities for reasonable accommodations that enable them to work or learn. Section 504 is what good teachers do for children with disabilities, making practical accommodations to “level the educational playing field” so children can benefit from their education. A team knowledgeable of the person determines, with evaluation data, if the individual meets eligibility criteria.