

SUBJECT: CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES

The BOCES recognizes the existence of individual differences in the intellectual, social, emotional and physical development of children attending school in the component districts. In recognizing these differences the Board supports a system of services offered to component districts for students with disabilities.

Program Accessibility

The BOCES affirms its compliance with those sections of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 dealing with program accessibility.

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act prohibits discrimination against qualified students with disabilities in federally assisted programs or activities solely on the basis of disability. The BOCES shall make its program and facilities accessible to all its students with disabilities.

The BOCES official responsible for coordination of activities relating to compliance with Section 504 shall provide information, including complaint procedures, to any person who feels his or her rights under Section 504 have been violated by the District or its officials.

All students with disabilities, including those requiring the use of psychotropic drugs, shall be provided with full access and opportunity to participate in BOCES programs and extracurricular activities which are available to all other students enrolled in the BOCES.

Rehabilitation Act of 1973

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