

## Arlington

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## NOTICE OF PARENT AND STUDENT RIGHTS UNDER SECTION 504: THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973

The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, commonly referred to as "Section 504," is a nondiscrimination statute enacted by the United States Congress. The purpose of the Act is to prohibit discrimination and to assure that disabled students have educational opportunities and benefits equal to those provided to nondisabled students.

An eligible student under Section 504 is a student who (a) has, (b) has a record of having, or (c) is regarded as having, a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits a major life activity such as learning, reading, concentrating, thinking, communicating, caring for oneself, walking, standing, bending, lifting, seeing, hearing, eating, sleeping, speaking, breathing, working, performing manual tasks or the operation of a major bodily function. The District must provide appropriate services to identified students. The District may not discriminate against students with disabilities.

DUAL ELIGIBILITY: Many students will be eligible for educational services under both Section 504 and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Students who are eligible under the IDEA have many specific rights that are not available to



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