



# Section 504

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

### Section 504 is:

A federal civil rights law that Prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability in federally-assisted programs or activities. This includes public schools, colleges, trade schools or private schools that receive federal funding.

### To be eligible:

a student must be determined to: (1) have a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities; or (2) have a record of such an impairment; or (3) be regarded as having such an impairment

### 504 plans include:

1. Accommodations: Changes in the classroom - Extra time on tests, small group testing, sitting in the front of the classroom
2. Assistive Technology: Tools that help the student work around barriers - calculators, graphic organizer, special keyboards
3. School Services: Related services that help the student gain access to general education - speech therapy, occupational therapy, transportation

