

Section 504

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 is a federal statute that prohibits discrimination against students on the basis of their disability by institutions, such as the Tolleson Union High School District, that receive federal financial assistance. Section 504's purpose is, among other things, to ensure that students with disabilities have educational opportunities and benefits equal to those provided to students without disabilities.

Students who present with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity may be eligible for a 504 plan. If a student is covered by Section 504, the school district must provide free appropriate public education (FAPE), including accommodations as are necessary to ensure that the student has equal access to services, facilities, programs and activities offered by our schools. In order to determine if your student is eligible for protections under Section 504, please reach out to the school's 504 Coordinator (the Assistant Principal for Instruction) for more information.

Governing Board policies IHBA, IHBA-RA, IHBA-RB contain additional information on Section 504.

District Level 504 Coordinator

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For additional questions or support with Section 504 in TUHSD, please reach out to:

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