

Fort Payne City Schools

Section 504

Section 504 is part of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, which prohibits discrimination based upon disability in any program, receiving federal financial assistance. Any discrimination would subject the entire institution to the possible loss of federal funding.

Any public school that receives federal funds is subject to the requirement of Section 504. Students who have a disability that meets the general definition of a disability but that does not fall into one of the IDEA categories above might be eligible for services under Section 504.

Unlike IDEA, Section 504 does not describe a precise procedural scheme for implementation. Instead, school districts set their own policies, but most use a process very similar to that used for special education students.

Section 504 Child Find Notice

The Fort Payne City System has a duty to locate, evaluate and identify any child residing in the District who qualifies for Section 504 accommodations or services.

Children eligible for Section 504 accommodations or services include those children who have a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity.

If you suspect your child has a disability and may require Section 504 accommodations, or if you would like additional information, please contact your child's counselor or Dr. Laran Crowe, District 504 Coordinator, Fort Payne City Schools, 231 38th Street, Fort Payne, AL 35967, telephone 256-845-9288.