

# School District of Manawa

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#### Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap/Disability

The District will not discriminate against otherwise qualified students with disabilities (i.e., students who otherwise meet eligibility criteria – e.g., age – for participation in the educational program and/or activities) in the provision of its educational programs and activities. The District further will provide a free appropriate public education to qualified students with disabilities. Said education shall entail the provision of regular or special education and related aids and services that are designed to meet the individual educational needs of students with disabilities as adequately as the needs of non-disabled students are met. This includes providing academic and non-academic services to students with disabilities in the same setting as their non-disabled peers to the maximum extent appropriate. In addition to its provision of educational services, the Board will not discriminate against otherwise qualified students with disabilities in its provision of non-educational academic and extra-curricular services and activities such as counseling services, physical recreational athletics, transportation, health services, recreational activities, special interest groups or clubs sponsored by the District, referrals to agencies that provide assistance to persons with disabilities, and employment of students, and will provide students with disabilities an equal opportunity to participate in such services and activities. Qualified students with disabilities will accommodations/modifications/interventions to the District's non-academic and extracurricular services and activities, unless such accommodations/modifications/interventions, service, or activity would impose an undue financial burden. A determination that a particular accommodation/modification/intervention would constitute an undue burden must be made by the Superintendent or his/her designee after considering all resources available for use in the funding and operation of the service or activity, and must be accompanied by written statement of the reasons for reaching that conclusion. In the event the Superintendent or his/herdesignee determines that an undue burden would result, the District will take any other action that would not result in such burden but would still allow, to the maximum extent possible, individuals with disabilities to receive the benefits of the District's non-academic and extra- curricular services and activities on an equal basis as individuals without disabilities.

#### **Procedures Applicable to Section 504**

Annually the District will undertake to identify and locate every qualified person with a disability residing in the District who is not receiving a public education, and notify the person and their parents or guardians of the District's duties and responsibilities under Section 504.

#### Referral

Any student who needs or is believed to need special accommodations, related services or programs under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, may be referred to the Building Consultation Team for evaluation. Referrals may be made by anyone (e.g., parents, teachers, or other knowledgeable professionals). Referrals shall be made on the Suspected Disability Referral Form and submitted to the building principal. Referrals may be made at any time.

Parents may request a referral form by contacting the building principal, guidance counselor, or District 504 Coordinator.

#### **Evaluations**

Upon receipt of a Suspected Disability Referral Form, the building principal will notify the appropriate 504 Case Manager who will collect all relevant information on the student toassist in documenting whether the student has a physical and/or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.

The 504 Case Manager should contact school staff who perform assessments and have them review existing pertinent information and determine whether additional assessments are needed. If an evaluation is needed, parent/guardian written consent will be obtained and a copy of the Notice of Section 504/ADA Procedural Information and Rights will be sent to the parents.

The Building Consultation Team (BCT) will consider all relevant information on the student to determine whether he/she is disabled under Section 504. The assessment information may include, but will not be limited to, medical reports that document a physical and/or mental impairment, aptitude and achievement test scores, teacher observations, recommendations, and other data, including information on social or cultural background and adaptive behavior. Parents will be afforded the opportunity to meaningfully participate and provide input in the evaluation process. The student's parents will be sent a letter inviting them to attend and participate in the BCT conference at least seven calendar days prior to the conference.

#### Plan

If a student is identified as disabled pursuant to Section 504, and the BCT determines the student requires specialized services and/or accommodations/modifications/interventions in order to receive FAPE (Free and Appropriate Education) and to access the District's programs and

activities on an equal basis to students without disabilities, the BCT will develop and complete the Section 504 Plan. The Plan will specify the accommodations/modifications/interventions necessary so that the student's needs are met as adequately as the needs of nondisabled students. The purpose of the Section 504 Plan is to provide the student with equal access to school activities, to remove barriers to educational opportunity, and provide, to the degree possible, a level playing field. The building principal will request written permission from parents to implement the Section 504 Plan.

#### **Review of the Student's Evaluation**

Re-evaluations are not required at specific intervals; however, assessments will be updated so that eligibility and accommodation planning is based on information that accurately defines the student's disability and reflects the student's current strengths and needs. At least every three years appropriate school staff should determine whether updated evaluations are needed. A re-evaluation will be completed prior to a significant change in placement. When a re-evaluation is needed, parents will be sent prior notice. Consistent with initial evaluations, parents will be afforded the opportunity to meaningfully participate and provide input in the re-evaluation process.

#### **Procedural Safeguards: Due Process**

The parents may challenge the actions of the BCT regarding identification, evaluation or placement of their child by filing a request for an impartial due process hearing. Alternatively, the parents may file an internal complaint. If the parents elect the former, the Board must provide a due process hearing before an impartial hearing officer ("IHO") that is not employed by the District. A parent does not need to first exhaust the internal complaint process inorder to file a request for a due process hearing. In fact, a due process hearing may be requested at any time and parents do not waive that right if they first opt to try to resolve their dispute through the internal complaint process. If a parent is not satisfied with the IHO's decision, s/he may appeal it to a Federal Court of competent jurisdiction.

The parents may also file a complaint with the Office for Civil Rights. The Office for Civil Rights, however, is not part of the District's internal complaint process or the system of procedural safeguards, and, absent extraordinary circumstances, will not review the results of individual placement and other educational decisions so long as the District complied with the "process" requirements of Section 504 (concerning identification and locations, evaluation, and due process procedures).

#### 504 Process School District of Manawa

- 1. A concern is raised about a student by parent or school staff member.
- 2. The student is referred to the Building Consultation Team (BCT).
- 3. The BCT reviews all documentation and decides if there is enough information to make a <u>Section 504</u> <u>Referral</u>. The 504 Referral Form is given to the referring staff member or parent.
- Upon receipt of the completed referral form, the Principal will notify the 504 Case Manager (School Counselor) who will collect all relevant information.
- 5. A copy of the completed <u>Referral Form</u>, <u>Procedural Information and Rights</u>, and <u>Letter Notice Section 504</u> Initial Evaluation are sent to parent. Consent is to be obtained within 30 days of receipt of referral.
- Following receipt of consent from parents, <u>Release of Information form is filled out and sent to parents if the district doesn't already have permission to talk to the student's physician. The <u>Physician Questionnaire</u> is then sent after the Release of Information form is returned.
  </u>
- 7. Within 60 days, the principal will convene the BCT to determine eligibility under 504. Meeting Notice is sent to parents at least 7 days prior to conference.
- 8. Summary of Evaluation Report is filled out at the meeting.

#### If found ineligible:

- 1. Summary of Evaluation Report and Procedural Information and Rights are sent to parents.
- 2. BCT decides if the student needs a Response to Intervention (Rtl) Plan, student can be served appropriately without written interventions or more information is needed before making determination.

#### If found eligible:

- 9. <u>504 Plan</u> is developed by BCT. Parents are given Procedural Information and Rights and Section IX of the 504 Plan is filled out by parents giving consent to implement the plan if parents attended the meeting.
- 10. 504 Plan along with Procedural Information and Rights are sent to parents and consent to implement plan is obtained prior to finalizing the plan.
- 11. Copy of finalized plan is sent to District 504 Coordinator and filed in student's cumulative file.
- 12. Copies of plan are distributed to the student's teachers.
- 13. Before school starts each year, teachers of the student receive a copy of the 504 Plan.
- 14. Within the first 2 months of a new school year, BCT needs to meet to review the 504 Plan, decide whether to continue the existing plan, discontinue current plan or develop new plan.
- 15. A copy of the active 504 Plan is forwarded to the District 504 Coordinator (Secondary School Counselor), put in cumulative file and distributed to teachers by October 15.
- 16. Copy of active 504 Plan is sent to parents and Procedural Information and Rights is offered.
- 17. At least every 3 years, appropriate school staff should determine whether an updated evaluation isneeded.
- 18. When re-evaluation is needed parents will be sent prior notice and copy of Procedural Information and Rights.

#### NOTICE OF SECTION 504/ADA PROCEDURAL INFORMATION AND RIGHTS

#### WHAT IS SECTION 504?

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended by the ADA Amendments Act of 2008 (hereinafter "Section 504"), is Congress' directive to schools receiving any Federal funding to eliminate discrimination based on disability from all aspects of their school operations. It states: "No otherwise qualified individual with a disability shall solely by reason of his/her disability, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance." Since the School District is a recipient of Federal dollars, its administrators and staff are required to provide eligible disabled students with equal access (both physical and academic) to services, programs, and activities offered by its schools. Section 504 is a civil rights statute and not a special education statute.

#### **HOW CAN I REFER MY CHILD TO DETERMINE 504 ELIGIBILITY?**

If you suspect that your child is "disabled" under Section 504/ADA, contact your child's teacher, school counselor, or building principal. You will be asked to complete a referral form and grant consent for a 504 evaluation. After the evaluation is complete, a meeting will be scheduled to determine if your child has a "disability." You have the right to the opportunity to meaningful participation in the process and provide input, even if you cannot attend the meeting in person.

#### WHAT CRITERIA ARE USED TO DETERMINE 504 ELIGIBILITY?

A student qualifies for Section 504 protection if s/he is determined to be an individual with a disability as defined by the statute. Specifically, the student must have a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, or have a record of such an impairment, or be regarded as having such an impairment. Only those students with an actual impairment, however, are entitled to accommodations/modifications/interventions pursuant to Section 504. Those students with a record of an impairment or who are regarded as having an impairment are entitled to protection from discrimination based upon disability.

Major life activities include, but are not limited to, functions such as (a) caring for one's self, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, working, eating, sleeping, standing, lifting, bending, reading, concentrating, thinking, communicating, learning, and (b) the operation of major bodily functions including the functions of the immune system, normal cell growth, digestive, bowel, bladder, neurological, brain, respiratory, circulatory, endocrine, and reproductive functions.

#### WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SECTION 504 AND THE IDEIA?

Section 504 prohibits discrimination against students with disabilities and requires school districts to provide students with disabilities regular or special education and related aids and services that are designed to meet the individual educational needs of students with disabilities as adequately as the needs of nondisabled students are met. Any necessary accommodations/modifications/interventions must be delineated in a Section 504 Plan.

IDEIA requires districts to provide disabled students (ages 3 through 21) with special education and related services and supplementary aids and services designed to meet their unique needs and prepare them for further education, employment, and independent living. The special education and related services must be delineated in an Individualized Education Program(IEP).

#### PROCEDURAL INFORMATION AND RIGHTS

Below is a description of the rights granted by Federal law to individuals with disabilities. It is the intent of the District, pursuant to Section 504, to keep you fully informed concerning decisions about your child and to inform you of your rights if you disagree with any of those decisions.

You have the right to:

- A. have your child take part in, and receive benefits from public education programs without discrimination because of his/her disability;
- B. have the School District advise you of your rights under Federal law;
- C. receive written notice of any decision regarding the identification, evaluation, or educational placement of your child;
- D. have your child receive a free appropriate public education (FAPE);

This includes the right to be educated with students who are not disabled to the maximum extent appropriate (i.e. the student's education will be provided in the regular education classroom unless it is demonstrated that education in the regular environment with the use of supplementary aids and services cannot be achieved satisfactorily) and to receive regular or special education and related aids and services that are designed to meet the individual educational needs of students with disabilities as adequately as the needs of nondisabled students aremet.

- E. have your child educated in facilities and receive services comparable to those provided students without disabilities;
- F. have evaluation and educational placement decisions made based upon a variety of information sources, and by persons who know your child and are knowledgeable about the evaluation data and placement options;
- G. have your child transported in a non-discriminatory manner;

If the District refers a student for services outside the District, adequate transportation will be provided at no greater cost to you than if the services were provided within the District.

H. place your child in a private school or alternative educational program;

However, if the District makes a FAPE available to your child and nevertheless you choose to place your child elsewhere, the District is not required to pay for your child's education at the private school or alternative educational program, including any costs associated with related transportation.

- I. have your child be given an equal opportunity to participate in nonacademic and extra-curricular activities offered by the District;
- J. examine all relevant education records, including, but not limited to, those documents related to decisions regarding your child's identification, evaluation, educational program, and placement;
- K. obtain, at your own expense, an independent educational evaluation of your child;

- L. obtain copies of education records at a reasonable cost unless the fee would effectively deny you access to the records;
- M. a response from the School District to reasonable requests for explanations and interpretations of your child's education records;
- N. periodic re-evaluations and an evaluation before any significant change in program/service modifications;
- request amendment for your child's education records if there is reasonable cause to believe that information contained in the record(s) is inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the privacy rights of your child;

If the School District refuses to amend the record(s), you have the right to request a hearing and/or to attach to the record(s) a statement of why you disagree with the information it contains.

P. request mediation or an impartial due-process hearing related to decisions or actions concerning your child's identification, evaluation, and/or educational program or placement, and obtain any relief that is authorized by law;

You and your child may take part in the hearing and have an attorney represent you. Hearing requests must be made to the District Compliance Officer.

- Q. receive all information in your native language and mode of communication;
- R. file an internal complaint;
- S. file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights;
- T. be represented at any point in the process by an attorney;
- U. be notified of your Section 504 rights (1) when evaluations are conducted, (2) when consent for an evaluation is withheld, (3) when eligibility is determined, (4) when a Section 504 Plan is developed, and (5) before there is significant change in the Plan.

Complaints, including complaints of disability-based harassment and requests for due process hearings, must be put in writing and must identify the specific circumstances or areas of dispute that have given rise to the complaint or requests for a hearing, and offer possible solutions to the dispute. Complaints must be filed with the District Section 504/ADA Compliance Officer. The Board of Education has designated Carmen O'Brien as the District Section 504/ADA Compliance Officer. The District Compliance Officer can be reached at the following address/phonenumber/e-mail:

515 E. Fourth St. Manawa, WI 54949 Phone: (920) 596-2524 Fax: (920) 596-2655

cobrien@manawaschools.org

The Office for Civil Rights of the United States Department of Education enforces the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The address of the Midwest Regional offices:

Office for Civil Rights
U.S. Department of Education
Citigroup Center
500 W. Madison Street, Suite 1475
Chicago, IL 60661-4544
FAX: (312) 730-1576
PHONE: (312) 730-1560
TDD: (877) 521-2172

E-mail: OCR.Chicago@ed.gov Web: http://www.ed.gov/ocr

#### SUSPECTED DISABILITY REFERRAL FORM

Student Name		DOB
School		Grade
Parent Name(s)		
Address		Phone
Please complete this form if you that substantially limits one or me		nave a physical or mental impairment elow).
A. Statement of Suspected Section	on 504 Disability	
B. Nature of the Concern (attach	additional sheets if necessar	у).
1. Check the suspected physical	or mental impairment.	
□ Asthma □ Attention Deficit Disorder/ADHD □ Brain Injury □ Cancer □ Cerebral Palsy □ Developmental Aphasia □ Diabetes □ Dyslexia	<ul> <li>□ Emergent Allergy</li> <li>□ Emotional Illness</li> <li>□ Epilepsy</li> <li>□ Hearing Impairment</li> <li>□ Heart Disease</li> <li>□ Minimal Brain Dysfunction</li> <li>□ Multiple Sclerosis</li> <li>□ Muscular Dystrophy</li> </ul>	☐ Orthopedic Impairment ☐ Recovering Chemical Dependent ☐ Seizures ☐ Speech Impairment ☐ Visual Impairment ☐ Other:

2. Describe (and attach) any evaluative/data source supporting the diagnosis.

3. Check any major life activity(ies) that are limite	d. (Note this list is not exhaustive.)
Bending Breathing Caring for one's self Communicating Concentrating Eating Hearing Learning Lifting Performing manual tasks	Reading Seeing Sleeping Speaking Standing Thinking Walking Working Other:
4. Describe (and attach relevant data) how any n	najor life activities are substantially limited.
5. Check any major bodily functions that are limit	ed. (Note: This list is not exhaustive.)
Bladder Bowel Brain Circulatory/Cardiovascular System Digestive System Endocrine System	Immune System Neurological System Normal Cell Growth Reproduction Respiratory System Other:
Describe (and attach relevant data) how any n limited.	najor bodily function(s) (is)(are) substantially

cations/interventions or special pr	rovisions have been made to		
Relationship to Student	Date		
The signature of the principal receiving this Referral, documents that a copy of this form and the Notice of Section 504/ADA Procedural Information and Rights have been given or sent to the parent or guardian.			
	Date Received		
Building Administrator District Health Coordinator	Teacher(s) School Counselor		
	Relationship to Student  Is Referral, documents that a cope and Rights have been given or some and Rights have been given by the Rights have been given		



## School District of Manawa

"Students Choosing to Excel, Realizing their Strengths" 800 Beech Street | Manawa, WI 54949 | (920) 596-2525

Letter/Notice: Section 504 – Parental No	otice for Initial Evaluation	(504 C)
Date:		
To the Parent/Guardian of:		
As part of our efforts to help improve your members of our Building Consultation Tear learning and behavior. The teacher(s), schomaybe involved in observation, interviews, data collection activities. (Your child is not time.)	m to collect and review informati ool counselor, principal, and othe , administration of behavior checl	on on your child's er staff members klists, and other
Once the information has been reviewed, we child's needs. If you have any questions, ple (Section 504 Coordinator) at the SCHOOL I	ease contact	olans to meet your
You are provided specific rights concerning informed concerning decisions about your		
Please provide your consent for us to accomb decision and providing your signature (below) (Section 50)		
Parent Consent		- / (Const.
Student's Name	Date	
Yes, I consent to the proposed scree	ening/evaluation, if deemed neces	ssary
No, I do not consent to the proposed	dscreening/evaluation	
Comments:		
Parent Signature		
cc: Student Behavior / Pupil Records File _		

#### SECTION 504 RELEASE OF INFORMATION AND RECORDS

In order to ensure your child is provided with equal access (both physical and academic) to services, programs and activities offered by our school, a mutual exchange of information and records is required for your child.

Name of Student:	DOB:
School:	Grade:
The requested exchange is between the School D	District of Manawa and the following:
(hospital, clinic, physician, i	nstitution, association, or school)
Address:	
Name of Contact Person:	Phone:
Records that may be exchanged include the follow	wing: (check all that apply)
grades, class standing, a  Grades, class standing, a  Standardized achievemen scores  Teacher ratings Record of extra-curricular a Psychological reports Medical reports Psychiatric report	name, address, birth date, grade level completed,

#### Consent of Parent/Guardian for Release of Information

I authorize the School District of Manawa and the above-named individual/organization/agency to exchange information and records as indicated. Except as limited above, this authorization encompasses all information pertaining to the minor, including protected health information (PHI) as defined in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and its implementing regulations, and education records as defined in the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

We expressly waive all provisions of law (including, but not limited to, the privacy provisions of HIPAA, FERPA, and R.C. 3319.321), forbidding any physician or other person who has or may hereafter treat, attend, or examine the minor, or any educational agency, from disclosing any knowledge or information, including PHI, which they may have there by acquired.

Pursuant to HIPAA, the following are specified as part of this authorization:

- A. The purpose of disclosure is for assisting the School District in offering the student a free appropriate public education pursuant to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.
- B. This authorization expires one (1) year after the date it is signed.
- C. The parents signing this permission form understand that they may revoke this authorization at any time by providing written notification to the District Compliance Officer, the building principal/Building Compliance Officer, or the individual/organization/agency listed above, except to the extent that this authorization has already been relied upon.
- D. The parents signing this form have been informed that the individual/organization/agency listed above may not condition treatment, payment, enrollment, or eligibility for benefits on whether the parents sign this authorization.
- E. The parents signing this form have been informed of the potential for information disclosed pursuant to this authorization to be subject to redisclosure by the recipient and to be no longer protected by HIPAA. The parents signing this form are also aware that any information disclosed to the School District is subject to other state and Federal privacy laws.

Parent's Signatur	re	Relationship to Student	Date Signed
Address:			Phone:
Please send rele	ased information/records to:		
Copies to:	[ ]Parent/Guardian		 er

#### SECTION 504 PHYSICIAN QUESTIONNAIRE

Name of Stu	dent:		DOB:		
Address:				_	
School:		Grade:	Phone:	_	
1973, as am physical or r one's self, pe speaking, b operation of bladder, neu the referral is	nended. In order for a stude mental impairment that sub erforming manual tasks, wa reathing, learning, readin major bodily functions suc rological, brain, respiratory	ent to qualify for protectionstantially limits one or making, seeing, hearing, eag, concentrating, thinking as the immune system, circulatory, endocrine and so, we are requesting into	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act on under Section 504, s/he must have nore major life activities (e.g., caring ating, sleeping, standing, lifting, bending, communicating, working, and the normal cell growth, digestive, bowned reproductive functions, etc.). Because formation from you. The parent/guardicords.	e a for ng, he el, se	
needs of th		questing evaluation, te	nt to the medical and/or education sting, or services be performed, b		
1.	What physical and/or student under Section		e been identified that may qualify th	is	
2.	What major life activity(	(ies) may be substantially	/ limited as a result of the impairment?	ı	
3.	Detail available medical background, including a written diagnostic statement and copies of any/all reports.				
4.	What treatments or medications are recommended for this impairment?				
5.	What precautions or ac school?	commodations are reco	mmended for consideration by the		
Physician's S	_		ate		
Please returi	n this questionnaire to:				

Copies to: [] Parent/Guardian [] Cumulative Folder

#### NOTICE OF SECTION 504 MEETING

Date:				
То:				
From:				
Student:	<u></u>			
Initial Con	ference	Review Conference	e	Causal Relationship Conference
results, classroo as disabled purs education and r services, includir 504 Plan will be program recomm	m performance, a uant to Section 50 related aids and ng but not limited to prepared. We red	and eligibility for pro 14, the 504 Team wil services in order to to accommodations quest that you atten osed is a copy of the	tection und Il determine to receive s/modification ad this meet	e a discussion of your child's evaluation ler Section 504. If your child is identified whether s/he requires regular or special a free appropriate public education. If ons/interventions, are needed, a Section ting to assist us with the discussion and ghts under Section
Date		Time	Loc	ation
				e the right to bring others to the meeting. lease let us know so arrangements can
			Particip	pants
(Building Compli	ance Officer/Princ	cipal/Designee)	(Genera	al Education Teacher)
(Parent/Guardia	n)		(Parent	/Guardian)
(Guidance Coun	selor)		(School	Psychologist)
(Student)			(Other)	
				e available for your review prior to this the other so that we will know your

Enclosed is a copy of the Notice of Section 504/ADA Procedural Information and Rights.

intent.

#### Parent Reply to Request to Attend 504 Conference

	e Notice of Section 50 and Rights sent to me by	4 Conference and Notice of Sachool personnel.	ection 504/ADA Procedural
	□ I will attend the	e meeting at the time stated.	
		to participate by telephone call. ed at the following number:	
	☐ I request that t	he meeting be held without my b	peingpresent.
	☐ I would like the	e meeting to be held at the follow	ing time and location:
Signature of P	Parent/Guardian		Date
Conies to:	[]Parent/Guardian	[ ] Cumulative Folder	

#### SECTION 504 SUMMARY EVALUATION REPORT

Personal Information:		
Student Name:		DOB:
Sex: M() F() Grade:	School:	ID#:
Student Address:	City:	Zip Code:
Daniel Manage	Dhana. //s	
Parent Name:	(1	work)
	(1	cell)
The Building Consultation Team me	t on(d	late).
Conference Type: Initial	Case Review	Re-Evaluation
Conference Date:		
Sources of Information Considered i Parent Recommendatio Educational Evaluation/Re Teacher Observation/Re Ineligibility for Services Summary of data and evaluation	n Performance ecommendation	Physician Diagnosis Major Health Problem Behavioral Evaluation/Performance Other nted:
Committee Determinations:		
The student has a physi     *See attached document	ical or mental impairment. Itation of medical condition.	Yes No
☐ Asthma ☐ Attention Deficit Disorder/ADHD ☐ Brain Injury ☐ Cancer ☐ Cerebral Palsy ☐ Developmental Aphasia ☐ Diabetes ☐ Dyslexia	☐ Emergent Allergy ☐ Emotional Illness ☐ Epilepsy ☐ Hearing Impairment ☐ Heart Disease ☐ Minimal Brain Dysfunction ☐ Multiple Sclerosis ☐ Muscular Dysfrophy	☐ Orthopedic Impairment ☐ Recovering Chemical Dependent ☐ Seizures ☐ Speech Impairment ☐ Visual Impairment ☐ Other:

	tudent has a physical or mental impairment in #1 above, do	pes the impairment result in a Yes No
	t attached sources of documentation related to extent of limeth condition identified in Section 1:	nitation or lack of limitation for
	mmarize the impairment for each condition identified in erage student:	Section 1 in relation to the
3. Ide	ntify any major life activities or major bodily functions that a	re substantially limited.
a.	Check any major life activities that are substantially limited	d:
	Bending Breathing Caring for one's self Communicating Concentrating Eating Hearing Learning Lifting	Reading Seeing Sleeping Speaking Standing Thinking Walking Working Other:
	Performing manual tasks	
b.	Check any major bodily functions that are substantially lim	ited:
	Bladder Bowel Brain Circulatory/Cardiovascular System Digestive System Endocrine System	Neurological System Normal Cell Growth Respiratory System Reproduction Other:
Determination:	Immune System	
☐ The student conditions.	is eligible under Section 504/ADA as a person with a disab	ility for the following

List attached sources of documentation:

Does this student need regular or special education an limited to, accommodations/modifications/interventions?	d related aids and services, including but not
□ No Explain:	
☐ Yes Indicate the type of plan to be written: Note: if specially designed/special education is red	quired, follow IDEA procedures
<ul> <li>□ The student is not eligible under Section 504/ADA as a Does this student nevertheless need accommodation.</li> <li>□ No Explain:</li> </ul>	
☐ Yes Indicate the type of plan to be written:  Recommendations:	
A Section 504 Plan is recommended and attached. The student does not have a physical or mental im activity and is not eligible for a Section 504 Plan. The student has an impairment that substantially is a Section 504 Plan.  Other_	pairment that substantially limits a major life mits a major life activity, but does not require
Review Date:	
504 Team: Principal Teacher Counselor Other	Parent(s)/Guardian Nurse Teacher Other

I received a copy of the Notice of Section 504/ADA Procedural Information and Rights for the current year.					
I disagree w	vith the IAT's re		ns a	ated above. as stated above. (Please attach a sheet outlining ich you disagree.)	
Parent/Guardian	Signature			Date	
For Office Use On Copies to:	District 504 Co	oordinator _ Files _	_	School Counselor/District Health Coordinator Building Administrator	

#### SECTION 504 PLAN

### SECTION 504 PLAN \* CONFIDENTIAL\*

□ School Couns □ District Health Coordinate	☐ Continuing 504 Plan	
The student covered under accommodations/modifications/inter of 2008 and the Rehabilitation Act of	rventions listed on this Plan co	udent with a disability. The amply with the ADA Amendments Act
		Date:
Section I		
NAME:		DATE OF BIRTH:
ADDRESS:		,
CITY:	STATE: ZIP	: PHONE #:
PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME(S):		,
BUILDING:	GRADE:	STUDENT ID#:
SECTION II What physical or menta	al impairment has the teamider	ntified?
☐ Asthma ☐ Attention Deficit Disorder/ADHD ☐ Brain Injury ☐ Cancer ☐ Cerebral Palsy ☐ Developmental Aphasia ☐ Diabetes ☐ Dyslexia	☐ Emergent Allergy ☐ Emotional Illness ☐ Epilepsy ☐ Hearing Impairment ☐ Heart Disease ☐ Minimal Brain Dysfunction ☐ Multiple Sclerosis ☐ Muscular Dystrophy	☐ Orthopedic Impairment ☐ Recovering Chemical Dependent ☐ Seizures ☐ Speech Impairment ☐ Visual Impairment ☐ Other:
DIAGNOSIS:		
Date of Diagnosis:	Physician:	Medication:
SECTION III		
BACKGROUND INFORMATION (P	ertinent educational and addition	onal medicalinformation):

#### **SECTION IV**

ELIGIBLE DISABILITY UNDER: Check major life activities and/or bodily functions that are substantiality or extremely limited as a result of the physical or mental impairment.

Bending	Reading
Breathing	Seeing
Caring for one's self	Sleeping
Communicating	Speaking
Concentrating	Standing
Eating	Thinking
Hearing	Walking
Learning	Working
Lifting	Other:
Performing manual tasks	
Bladder	Neurological System
Bowel	Normal Cell Growth
Brain	Respiratory System
Circulatory/Cardiovascular System	Reproduction
Digestive System	Other:
Endocrine System	
Immune System	

#### SECTION V

Substantial Limitation (i.e., concern or problem to be addressed)	Intervention/Strategy (i.e., accommodation/modification /intervention)	Person(s) Responsible	Date to Begin	Evaluation Procedure	Comments
Testing Accommodations (if needed)					
Location of the Implementation of this Plan:How will teachers and staff be made aware of this Plan:How will this Plan be monitored					
	for monitoring Plan:		_Anticipate	ed Review Da	te:
SECTION VI	SECTION VI				
INITIATION DATE:	DURATION (	OF PLAN:	NEXT REVIEW DATE:		

SECTION VII				
Attachments				
SECTION VIII PARTICIPANTS (Name) (Title) (Date)				
_	Case Manager	<u>.                                      </u>		
** Plans that require expenditure the District Administrator or C	e of funds beyond the school's bu	dget must be approved in advance by		
	District Administ	rator or Designee Date		
SECTION IX				
I received a copy of the Notice year:	of Section 540/ADA Procedural I	nformation and Rights for the current		
	Parent Signature	e Date		
☐ I give permission for this Se implemented for my child. This plan will be distributed to the building. Your signature this plan with necessary stars.	The information contained in appropriate individuals in indicates consent to share	☐ I do not give permission forthis Section 504 Plan to be implemented for my child.		
	Parent Signature	e Date		
For Office Use Only Copies to: District 504 Coord Teacher(s) 504 Case Mana (School Counse		Building Administrator Parent(s) File		
Copies to: [] Parent/Guardi	an [] Cumulative Folder			

#### PARENTS' PROCEDURAL RIGHTS AND SAFEGUARDS, INCLUDING DUE PROCESS

Below is a description of the rights granted by Federal law to individuals with disabilities. It is the intent of the District, pursuant to Section 504, to keep you fully informed concerning decisions about your child and to inform you of your rights if you disagree with any of those decisions.

- A. students with disabilities have the right to take part in, and receive benefits from, public education programs without discrimination because of their disabilities;
- B. parents have the right to be advised of their rights under Section 504;
- C. parents have the right to receive written notice of any decision regarding the identification, evaluation, or educational placement of their child;
- D. parents have the right to have their child receive a free appropriate public education ("FAPE") if the child has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities;

This includes the right to be educated with students who are not disabled to the maximum extent appropriate (i.e., the student's education will be provided in the regular education classroom unless it is demonstrated that education in the regular environment with the use of supplementary aids and services cannot be achieved satisfactorily) and to receive regular or special education and related aids/services that are designed to meet the individual educational needs of students with disabilities as adequately as the needs of nondisabled students aremet.

- E. parents have the right to have their child educated in facilities and receive services comparable to those provided to students without disabilities;
- F. parents have the right to have evaluation and educational placement decisions made based upon a variety of informational sources, and by persons who know the student, and are knowledgeable about the evaluation data and placement options;
- G. parents have the right to have their child transported in a non-discriminatory manner;
  - If the District refers a student for aids, benefits, or services outside the District, the District will ensure that adequate transportation is provided at no greater cost to the parents than if the aids, benefits, or services were provided within the District.
- H. parents have the right to place their child in a private school or alternative educational program;

However, if the District makes a FAPE available to the student that conforms to the requirements of Section 504 and nevertheless the parents choose to place the student elsewhere, the District is not required to pay for the student's education at the private school or alternative program, including costs associated with transportation.

- I. parents have the right to have their child given an equal opportunity to participate in nonacademic and extracurricular activities offered by the District;
- J. parents have the right to examine all relevant education records, including, but not limited to, those documents related to decisions regarding their child's identification, evaluation, educational program and placement;
- K. parents have the right to obtain, at their own expense, an independent educational evaluation of their child:
- L. parents have the right to obtain copies of education records at a reasonable cost unless the fee would effectively deny the parents access to the records;
- M. parents have the right to a response from the District to reasonable requests for explanations and interpretations of their child's education records;
- N. parents have the right to receive all information in the parents' native language and mode of communication:
- O. parents have the right to periodic re-evaluations and an evaluation before any significant change in program/service modifications;
- P. parents have the right to request amendments of their child's education record(s) if there is reasonable cause to believe that information contained in the record(s) is inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the privacy rights of their child;
  - If the District refuses to amend the record(s), the parents have the right to request a hearing and/or to attach to the record(s) a statement of why they disagree with the information it contains.
- Q. parents have the right to request mediation or an impartial due process hearing related to decisions or actions concerning their child's identification, evaluation, educational program or placement;
- R. parents have the right to file an internal complaint;
- S. parents have the right to be represented at any point in the process by anattorney:
- T. parents have the right to recover reasonable attorney fees as authorized by law (i.e., if the parents are successful on their due process claim);
- U. parents have the right to be notified of their Section 504 rights:
  - 1. when evaluations are conducted;
  - 2. when consent for an evaluation is withheld;
  - 3. when eligibility is determined:
  - 4. when a Section 504 Plan is developed; and
  - 5. before there is significant change in the Section 504 Plan.

#### Procedural Rights Pertaining to Section 504 Due Process Hearings

When a request for a due process hearing is received, the aggrieved party will have the opportunity to receive a hearing conducted by an impartial hearing officer ("IHO") (i.e., by a person not employed by the Board of Education, not involved in the education or care of the child, and not having a personal or professional interest that would conflict with his/her objectivity in thehearing).

The District will maintain a list of trained IHO's that may include IDEIA hearing officers, attorneys, and Directors of Special Education outside the District. The District Compliance Officer will appoint an IHO from that list, and the costs of the hearing shall be borne by the District. The appointment of an IHO will be made within fifteen (15) school days after the request for a due process hearing is received.

A party to such a due process hearing shall have:

- A. the right, at his/her/their own cost, to be accompanied and advised by legal counsel and by individuals with special knowledge or training with respect to the problems of children with disabilities:
- B. the right to present evidence, and confront, cross-examine and compel the attendance of witnesses;
- C. the right to a written or electronic verbatim record of such hearing; and
- D. the right to written findings of fact and the reasons for the decision.

The IHO shall conduct the due process hearing within a reasonable period of time (i.e., not to exceed ninety (90) calendar days from the request for such a hearing, unless this time-frame is mutually waived by the parties or is determined by the IHO to be impossible to comply with due to extenuating circumstances).

The IHO will give the parent and/or student written notice of the date, time and place of the hearing. Notice will be given no less than twenty-one (21) calendar days prior to the date of the hearing, unless otherwise agreed to by the parent and/or student. The notice shall include:

- A. a statement of time, place and nature of the hearing;
- B. a statement of the legal authority and jurisdiction under which the hearing is being held;
- C. a reference to the particular section of the statutes and rules involved:
- D. a statement of the availability of relevant records for examination;
- E. a short and plain statement of the matters asserted; and
- F. a statement of the right to be represented by counsel.

The IHO shall conduct the hearing in a manner that will afford all parties a full and fair opportunity to present evidence and to otherwise be heard. The parent and/or student may be represented by another person of his/her choice, including an attorney.

The IHO shall make a full and complete record of the proceedings.

The IHO shall render a decision in writing to the parties within thirty (30) calendar days following the conclusion of the hearing. The decision will be based solely on the testimony and demonstrative evidence presented at the hearing and include a summary of the evidence (i.e., findings of fact) and the reason for the decision.

The notification shall include a statement that either party may appeal the decision.

Appeal of the IHO's decision may be made to a Federal court of competent jurisdiction.

# SECTION 504/ADA – COMPLAINT PROCEDURES RELATED TO ACCESSIBILITY OF DISTRICT FACILITIES

If a person believes that s/he has been discriminated against on the basis of his/her disability, the person may utilize the following complaint procedures as a means of reaching, at the lowest possible administrative level, a prompt and equitable resolution of the matter.

The following person is/are designated as the District's Section 504/ADA Compliance Officer ("District's Compliance Officer"):

Carmen O'Brien, Director of Curriculum

515 E. Fourth St. Manawa, WI 54949 Phone: (920) 596-2524 Fax: (920) 596-2655

cobrien@manawaschools.org

Building principals shall serve as Building Section 504/ADA Compliance Officer(s) ("Building Compliance Officer").

Internal complaints must be submitted in writing and must identify the specific circumstances or areas of dispute that have given rise to the complaint, and offer possible solutions to the dispute. The complaint must be filed in a timely manner with either the District Compliance Officer or the Building Compliance Officer. The District's Compliance Officer is available to assist individuals in filing a complaint.

#### **Internal Complaint Procedure** (ag2260.01B)

A person who has a complaint about District facilities or services may register such complaint with the Building Compliance Officer and/or District Compliance Officer. Such complaints should be filed in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of the circumstances or event giving rise to the complaint. Use of the internal complaint procedure is not a prerequisite to the pursuit of other remedies, including the filing of acomplaint with the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights.

- A. The written complaint must contain the following information:
  - 1. Name(s) of person(s) filing complaint.
  - Whether the person(s) represents an individual or group.
  - 3. Whether the person(s) making the complaint has discussed the problem with the Building Compliance Officer and/or the District Compliance

Officer.

- A written summary of the complaint and a proposed solution.
- B. The Building Compliance Officer or the District Compliance Officer will conduct an impartial investigation and will respond to the complaint within five (5) business days. This complaint procedure contemplates informal, but thorough investigations, affording all interested persons and their representatives, if any, an opportunity to present witnesses and other evidence relevant to the complaint.
- C. If a satisfactory response is not received within five (5) business days, the person should forward a copy of the complaint to the District Administrator, who will respond within ten (10) business days.
- D. If a satisfactory response is not received within ten (10) business days, the person may forward a copy of the complaint to the Board of Education. The Board will consider the complaint and respond within forty (40) calendar days.

#### **OCR Complaint**

At any time, if a member of the public believes that s/he has been subjected to discrimination based upon his/her disability in violation of Section 504 or the Americans with Disabilities Act, as amended("ADA"), the individual may file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights ("OCR"). The OCR can be reached at:

U.S. Department of Education

Office for Civil Rights

Citigroup Center, 500 W. Madison Street, Suite 1475

Chicago, IL 60661

312-730-1560

Fax: 312-730-1576

TDD: 877-521-2172

E-mail: OCR.Chicago@ed.gov

Web: http://www.ed.gov/ocr

#### **Prohibition Against Retaliation**

The Board will not discriminate against, coerce, intimidate, threaten or interfere with any individual because the person opposed any act or practice made unlawful by Section 504 or the ADA, orbecause that individual made a charge, testified, assisted or participated in any manner in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing under Section 504 or the ADA, or because that individual exercised, enjoyed, aided or encouraged any other person in the exercise or enjoyment of any right granted or protected by Section 504 or the ADA.

Approved 11/19/12

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#### SECTION 504/ADA INTERNAL COMPLAINT - STUDENT

NAME OF COMPLAINANT	TELEPHONE NUMBER		
ADDRESS			
RELATIONSHIP TO THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:			
STUDENT	(SCHOOL ATTENDS)		
RECEIVING SPECIAL EDUCA			
PARENT	(CHILD'S NAME)		
DESCRIPTION OF DISABILITY:			
STATEMENT/NATURE OF COMPLAINT (INCLUDING APPLICABLE):	DATE OF ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION, IF		
·			
WHAT ACTION ARE YOU REQUESTING? (I.E. RELI	EF SOUGHT):		
PARENT/STUDENT/COMPLAINANT	DATE DATE RECEIVED BY BUILDING PRINCIPAL/ BUILDING COMPLIANCE OFFICER		

# RECORD OF CONFERENCE WITH 504 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANAWA COORDINATOR

A CONFERENCE WAS	S HELD ON	AT
Al	ND MATTERS PERTAINING	G TO THE FOLLOWING ALLEGED
COMPLAINT WERE D	ISCUSSED.	
	OF ALLEGED COMPLAIN	Γ:
DISPOSITION OF ALL	EGED COMPLAINT:	
BUILDING PRINCIPA	L/BUILDING 504 COORDIN	NATOR DATE
IF YOU WISH TO APP PROCEDURE AND AF PARENT/STUDENT BY	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	CLOSED IS THE COMPLAINT  DATE RECEIVED
		SECTION 504 SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANAWA COORDINATOR

#### MANIFESTATION DETERMINATION REVIEW 504 PLANS

In carrying out a manifestation determination review, the local educational agency, the parent, and relevant members of the Building Consultation Team (BCT) (as determined by the parent and the local educational agency) shall review all relevant information in the student's file, including the child's 504 Plan, any teacher observations, and any relevant information provided by the parents of the child.

Stu	ıder	ıt's Full Name:		DOB:
Na	ture	of the student's disability:		
Na	ture	of the behavior subject to disciplinary action:		
		otice of Section 504/ADA Procedural Information and Rights w	as present	ed with an explanation
		Title		
1.		new or additional evaluation/data needed? ves, refer the student for evaluation.	Yes	No
2.	If y	pes student have or require a Section 504 Plan? ves, is the Section 504 Plan appropriate? no, revise the Plan and attach a copy of the modified Plan.	Yes Yes	No No
3.		as the student capable of understanding that the behaviors exles and/or were unacceptable?	nibited were Yes	e in violation of school No
4.	Pre	evious suspensions/expulsion:	Yes	No (attach record)
5.	Ag	gregate number of suspension days:		
6.	In	relationship to the behavior subject to disciplinary action		
	a.	Did the BCT review relevant information in the student's file a	and the stud Yes	dent's 504 Plan? No
	b.	Did the BCT review relevant information presented by the pa		eacher observations?

<ul> <li>Did the BCT determine that the cond substantial relationship to the child's dis-</li> </ul>	uct in question was caused by or had a direct and ability?  Yes No		
Explain:			
d. Was the child's conduct a direct result of	f the District's failure to implement the 504 Plan? Yes No		
Note: The behavior is a manifestation of the student under #6.	dent's disability if the BCT indicated yes on item C or D		
Conclusion:			
Based upon the information considered, the BCwaswas not a manifestation of the st			
Date of Manifestation Determination Review:			
	n of the disability, the team should consider action such l, a behavior plan needs to be developed or amended,		
disciplinary procedures as those applied to non-	student's disability, the District may apply the regular disabled students. The team will also consider whether ted or if any modifications to the 504 Plan should be		
Signature:	Title:		
Copies to: Parent/Guardian504 Case ManagerOffice of Pupil ServicesCumulative File			