

ACE - PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARDS NON-DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF DISABILITY

The Charter School provides the following Notice of Procedural Safeguards to parents/guardians, and disabled persons, as required by 34 Code of Federal Regulations Sections 104.7, 104.8, 104.22 (4) (f), and 104.36 of the Regulations implementing Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

The Charter School does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission or access to, or treatment or employment in, its programs and activities.

The Charter School provides a grievance procedure with appropriate due process rights. The 504 Coordinator is the designated employee, charged with coordinating efforts to comply with Section 504. The parent/guardian of disabled students or any disabled person may use the grievance procedure established by the Board.

Grievance Procedure:

Parents/guardians of a student with a disability have the right to notify the above-designated employee with a complaint. Additionally, any disabled individual also has the right to notify the above-designated employee with their complaint.

The designated employee will provide an initial response within ten (10) days of receipt of complaint. The parties will attempt to work out their differences informally in a prompt and equitable manner. A written record of the resolution shall be made within ten (10) working days of completion. Both parties will receive a copy of the written record. Additionally, the Dean will keep a copy on file.

If the issue is not resolved after the informal resolution process, the complainant may: (a) request that the Board places this matter on its agenda; or (b) notify the Dean of the complaint. The Dean will notify the Board if he/she receives such a complaint. If the Board schedules the matter for a hearing, the complainant may be represented by any person the complainant chooses, including legal counsel. The complainant may present information through documents and other evidence and witnesses, and may examine witnesses presented by the Charter School.

Within ten (10) working days of either of the above options, a written record shall be made of the decision. Both parties will receive a copy of the written record. Additionally, the Dean will keep a copy on file.

Procedural Safeguards:

As required by 34 Code of Federal Regulations Section 104.36, parents/guardians of a student who needs or is believed to need special instruction and related services have the right, with respect to any action regarding identification, evaluation, and placement to:

1. Notice of referral/identification, evaluation, and placement process, with appropriate consent form.
2. Examine all relevant records.
3. At an impartial hearing, at any time, with respect to any actions regarding identification, evaluation, or placement of persons who need or are believed to need special education and related services, an opportunity for participation by the parent/guardian and representation of counsel as provided under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.
4. A review process.

Legal References:

34 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 104, Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap
Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

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