

BP 5140 Disabled Students Programs and Services

References: Title 5 Sections 56000 et seq.

American with Disabilities Act

Section 504, Rehabilitation Act, 34 C.F.R., Part 104

California Education Code 67310 and 84850

Pursuant to federal and state requirements, students with disabilities shall be reasonably accommodated in order to create an educational environment where they have access to instruction without fundamentally altering any course, educational program, or degree.

Although a student is not required to participate in the Disabled Students Programs & Services, DSPS shall be the primary provider for support services that facilitate educational opportunities for students with disabilities who can profit from instruction as required by federal and state laws.

Determination of Eligibility:

In order to be eligible for services through DSPS a student must have a verified disability which limits one or more major life activities, resulting in an educational limitation.

Student Rights and Responsibilities:

Receiving support services in the DSPS program shall not preclude a student from also participating in any other District course, program or activity offered by the College. All disability and academic adjustment records maintained by DSPS personnel pertaining to students with disabilities shall be protected from disclosure and shall be subject to all other District requirements for handling of student records. Students with disabilities shall meet the academic standards established by the College, comply with the College Student Code of Conduct, and adhere to written procedures for provision of programs and services.

Availability of Services:

DSPS services shall be available to students with verified disabilities and current functional limitations in the educational setting. The reasonable academic adjustments that may be provided are, but not limited to: priority registration, sign language interpreters, accessible facilities, disability and academic counseling, test-taking accommodations, alternate media, assistive technology, and instructional support. The District shall respond in a timely manner to academic adjustment requests from students and the academic adjustment requests will be reviewed individually, allowing for interim decisions pending final resolution. DSPS will not duplicate services or instruction available to all students.

The CEO or designee shall assure that DSPS conforms to all requirements established by relevant laws and regulations.

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