Compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act

Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth, and Families Division of Juvenile Correctional Services: Training School

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The Education Program complies with the policies and procedures of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act - Nondiscrimination under Federal Grants and Programs. Section 504 protects school-age residents who have a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity and requires reasonable accommodations be made to assist them in educational programming.

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- A.The Education Program identifies all residents who qualify for Section 504 protections due to an impairment that substantially limits a major life activity.
 - 1.Major life activities include walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, working, self care and performing tasks.
 - 2.The condition need only substantially limit one major life activity in order for the resident to qualify.
 - 3.The Principal ensures that the Education Program has a coordinator, a grievance process, procedural safeguards and impartial hearing requirements to implement Section 504.
- B.Eligible residents perform essential school functions with reasonable accommodations which are described in a 504 Plan.
 - 1.Reasonable accommodations include making facilities accessible or usable as well as modifying equipment or devices.
 - 2.A group of individuals who are knowledgeable about the resident, evaluation data and accommodation options convenes and develops a written plan of services that is reviewed annually.
 - 3.Parents and/or Legal Guardians are invited to participate in Section 504 planning meetings and decision making.
 - 4.Parents and/or Legal Guardians may be represented by legal counsel.
- C.Paragraphs A and B are consistent with Correctional Education Association Standards 43, 45, 49 –51, and 60 as well as American Correctional Association Standards 3 JTS 5D 02; 3 JTS-5D-03; 3-JTS-5D-04; 3-JTS-5D-06; 3-JTS-5D-07 and 3-JTS-5D-08.