



BP 5140 DISABLED STUDENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

References:

Education Code Sections 67310 and 84850;
Title 5 Sections 56000 et seq.;
Americans with Disabilities Act;
Sections 504 and 508 Rehabilitation Act

Students with disabilities shall be reasonably accommodated pursuant to federal and state requirements in all applicable programs in the District.

No student with disabilities is required to participate in the Disabled Student Programs and Services (DSPS) program.

The District shall respond in a timely manner to accommodation requests involving academic adjustments. The Superintendent/President shall establish a procedure to implement this policy which, at a minimum, provides for an individualized review of each such request, and permits interim decisions on such requests pending final resolution by the appropriate administrator or designee.

Access

The Superintendent/President shall assure that District classes, programs, services, activities, facilities, technology, media, and communication systems are accessible to students with disabilities as required by federal and state law. This policy applies to all credit and non-credit programs at off-campus and on-campus sites.

The Superintendent/President shall assure that all District policies and practices are compliant with all legislation governing access for students with disabilities.

Due Process

No qualified student with a disability shall, by reason of such disability, be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of the services, programs, or activities of Santa Barbara City College, or be subjected to discrimination by the College.

The Superintendent/President shall assure that students have the opportunity to file grievance/complaints to resolve allegations of discrimination based on disability.

The Superintendent/President shall appoint a District Americans with Disability Act (ADA), Section 504, and Section 508 Compliance Coordinator who is able to impartially investigate a complaint of discrimination.

Standards

District programs and services for students with disabilities shall promote the maximum independence and integration of students with disabilities; support participation of students with disabilities in educational activities consistent with the mission of the



community colleges; and not duplicate services or instruction available to all students. Support services, programs, and accommodations shall be directly related to participation in the District educational process and the current educational limitations of the verified disabilities of the students to be served. 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.

Service Provision

The Superintendent/President shall designate the DSPS program as the primary provider for academic adjustments, auxiliary aids, services, or instruction that facilitate equal educational opportunities for disabled students who can profit from instruction as required by federal and state laws.

DSPS services shall be available to students with verified disabilities and current functional limitations in the educational setting. The services to be provided include, but are not limited to, reasonable accommodations, academic adjustments, accessible facilities, adapted equipment, disability-related counseling, test-taking accommodations, alternate media, assistive technology, auxiliary aides, instructional support and tutoring designed to teach strategies that compensate for the educational limitations of students with disabilities in regular college classes.

The Superintendent/President shall assure that the DSPS program conforms to all requirements established by the relevant law and regulations.

Student Rights

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 accommodation 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.

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