

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION

NOTIFICATION OF PARENT/STUDENT RIGHTS IN IDENTIFICATION, EVALUATION, AND PLACEMENT

The following is a description of the rights granted by Section 503 of the Rehabilitation act of 1973 to students with disabilities. The intent of this Federal law is to keep you fully informed concerning decisions about your child and to inform you of your rights, if you disagree with any of the decisions made by the School Corporation.

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 disabling condition;
- B. have the School Corporation advise you of your rights under Federal law;
- C. receive notice with respect to identification, evaluation, or placement of your child;
- D. have your child receive a free appropriate public education. This includes the right to be educated with nondisabled students to the maximum extent appropriate. It also includes the right to have the School Corporation make reasonable accommodations to allow your child an equal opportunity to participate in school and school-related activities;
- E. have your child educated in facilities and receive services comparable to those provided nondisabled students;
- F. have your child receive special education and related services if s/he is found to be eligible under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.
- G. have evaluation, educational, and placement decision made based upon a variety of information sources, and by persons who know the child, the evaluation data, and placement options;
- H. have transportation provided to and from an alternative placement setting at no greater cost to you than would be incurred if the student were placed in a program operated by this Corporation;
- I. have your child be given an equal opportunity to participate in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities offered by the Corporation;
- J. examine all relevant records relating to decisions regarding your child's identification, evaluation, education program, and placement;
- K. obtain copies of educational records at a reasonable cost unless the fee would effectively deny you access to the records;
- L. a response from the School Corporation to reasonable requests for explanations and interpretations of your child's records;
- M. request amendment of your child's educational records if there is reasonable cause to believe that they are inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the privacy rights of your child. If the School

- Corporation refuses this request for amendment, it shall notify you within a reasonable time, and advise you of the right to a hearing;
- N. request mediation or an impartial due-process hearing related to decisions or actions regarding your child's identification, evaluation, educational program, or placement. You and your child may take part in hearing and have an attorney represent you. Hearing requests must be made to the _____;
 - O. ask for payment of reasonable attorney fees if you are successful on your claim;
 - P. file a local grievance or contact the Office of Civil Rights at any time

The person in this Corporation is responsible for assuring that the Corporation complies with Section 504 is: