CALAVERAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notice of Parent and Student Rights Under Section 504, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

General Rights:

- The right to be informed of all rights under Section 504. (This Notice will serve to advise all interested parties concerning these rights.)
- The right to an appropriate education designed to meet the student's educational needs as adequately as the needs of nondisabled students are met.
- The right to placement in the least restrictive environment.
- The right to an evaluation prior to an initial Section 504 placement and subsequent significant change in placement.
- The right for the parent, guardian or a qualified handicapped student to review relevant records at the school site or at the District Office.
- The right to appeal decisions made by the District relating to the identification, evaluation procedures or educational placement/services recommended for the student.

Appeal and Due Process Rights:

- The right to file a written complaint concerning decisions made by the District relating to identification, evaluation or educational placement/services
- The right to an informal discussion facilitated by a complaint officer to resolve a complaint and a written summary of the informal resolution within 10 days of the meeting.
- The right to a hearing within 20 days of receipt of a complaint and waiving of informal resolution.
- The right to have the appeal heard by an impartial hearing officer.
- The right to be notified of the date, time and place of the hearing 10 days prior to the hearing.

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Appeal and Due Process Rights (continued)

- The right to be accompanied and advised by counsel and by individuals with special knowledge or training relating to the problems of students who are qualified within the meaning of Section 504.
- The right to present evidence, documentary and testimony.
- The right to question and cross-examine witnesses.
- The right to written findings of fact, conclusions of law and decisions prepared by the hearing officer 40 calendar days after the hearing.
- The right to continued appeal through a court of competent jurisdiction.
- If you have any questions or wish to file an appeal, contact:

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