

ADA/504 EDUCATION POLICY

The Marshfield Public Schools is committed to the philosophy and legal requirement to educate all children in the least restrictive environment, maximizing regular education in a free and appropriate setting.

An appropriate education, as defined under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, is the provision of regular and Special Education related aids and services that are designed to meet individual educational needs of handicapped persons as adequately as non-handicapped persons are met, and are based on adherence to procedures that satisfy the requirements of appropriate state and federal laws.

The child's program and placement shall ensure that, to the maximum extent, the child is educated with children who are not in need of special services. This shall be determined after referral by the ADA/504 Team in a meeting for this purpose.

Non-academic and extracurricular services and activities are available to each student enrolled in the District. These may include counseling services, athletics, transportation, health services, recreational activities, special interest groups or clubs, referrals to agencies which provide assistance to handicapped children, employment opportunities, and any other services which are within the purview of the school system.