

## Service Animals in Schools

The Davenport Board of Directors acknowledges its responsibility to permit students and/or adults with disabilities to be accompanied by a “service animal” as required by federal laws and Washington State’s law against discrimination. This policy governs the presence of service animals in the schools, on school property, including school buses and at school activities.

A “service animal” means an animal that is trained for the purpose of assisting or accommodating a disabled person’s sensory, mental or physical disability.

The parent/guardian of a student who believes the student needs to bring a service animal to school or an employee who wishes to bring a service animal to school, must submit a written request to the building principal. The building principal, in consultation with the Section 504 coordinator or director of special services, as appropriate, will determine whether or not to permit the service animal in school.

The superintendent will develop procedures to implement this policy.

Cross Reference:	Board Policy 2029	Animals as Part of the Instructional Program
	2161	Education of Students with Disabilities
	2162	Education of Students with Disabilities Under Section 504
	3210	Nondiscrimination
	5010	Nondiscrimination and Affirmative Action

Legal References:	<a href="#">American Disabilities Act (ADA), Revised Title II Regulations, §35 Service animals</a> <a href="#">Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973</a>	
	<a href="#">RCW 28A.642</a> <a href="#">RCW 49.60.040</a>	Discrimination Prohibition Definitions
	<a href="#">WAC 162-26</a>	Public accomodations, disability discrimination
	<a href="#">WAC 392-145-021(3)</a> <a href="#">WAC 392-172A-01035</a>	General Operating Requirements Child with a Disability or Student eligible for Special Education
	<a href="#">WAC 392-172A-01155 (3)</a> <a href="#">WAC 392-190</a>	Related Services Equal Educational Opportunity – unlawful discrimination prohibited

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