

SUBJECT: USE OF SERVICE ANIMALS

The Board allows the use of service animals on school grounds by individuals with disabilities, subject to restrictions permitted by federal or state law, regulations and procedures established by the Superintendent or designee.

A service animal is defined as any animal that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. Other species of animals, whether wild or domestic, trained or untrained, are not service animals.

The work or tasks performed by a service animal must be directly related to the individual's disability. The crime deterrent effects of an animal's presence and the provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship do not constitute work or tasks for the purposes of this definition.

The Superintendent or designee may create procedures, regulations, or building-specific rules regarding the use of service animals on school grounds by individuals with disabilities.

28 CFR §§ 35.104, 35.136, 35.139

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