

## WEST WINDSOR-PLAINSBORO REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

## **ELIGIBILITY**

Under the protections of Section 504, an individual must demonstrate that he/she has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits a major life activity, has a record of such impairment or is regarded as having such an impairment. Major life activities include, but are not limited to, seeing, hearing, speaking, walking, breathing, learning, working, caring for oneself and performing manual tasks. All students with disabilities who are entitled to attend school under state law are covered by Section 504.

Section 504 is designed to prevent discrimination against individuals with disabilities. In public elementary and secondary schools it requires that students with disabilities receive a free and appropriate public education.