

Section 504 Professional Development Quiz

A check for understanding may be needed for training participants following professional development on a school system's Section 504 processes. The true and false questions below may be used to quickly assess levels of understanding of Section 504 compliance requirements. Bolded words signify the correct response.

1. Section 504 is the only federal statute that addresses the legal responsibilities of public schools to students with disabilities. T / F **False**
2. Section 504 provides federal funding. T / F **False**
3. Section 504 requires public schools to provide a free and appropriate public education. T / F **True**
4. All students covered under IDEA are covered under Section 504. T / F **True**
5. All students covered under Section 504 are covered under IDEA. T / F **False**
6. A student with a disability, but not entitled to special education under IDEA, should be considered for services under Section 504. T / F **True**
7. Section 504 uses the same disability categories as IDEA. T / F **False**
8. Notice to parents regarding Section 504 evaluations is required. T / F **True**
9. The legal obligation to evaluate students (*i.e.* referral, Child Find) upon reasonably suspecting eligibility, does not apply under Section 504. T / F **False**
10. Section 504 does not provide a timeline for re-evaluation or plan review. T / F **True**
11. Eligibility under Section 504 requires, among other things, an adverse effect on educational performance. T / F **False**
12. Parents must have a medical diagnosis to be eligible for Section 504 services. T / F **False**
13. Parent demand dictates the legal duty to provide Section 504 accommodations. T / F **False**
14. Students with concussions are always eligible for a Section 504 Plan. T / F **False**
15. A student with a temporary disability (*i.e.* car accident recovery, pregnancy complications) could be covered under Section 504. T / F **True**
16. The standard for determining the existence of a substantial limitation under Section 504 is based on a specific formula. T / F **False**
17. Section 504 only provides for accommodations, not special education or related services. T / F **False**
18. Section 504 may be enforced through local due process hearings and grievance complaints. T / F **True**
19. A school district can use the hearing procedures designed for IDEA (independently of DESE) to hear Section 504 cases. T / F **True**
20. Appropriate school personnel failing to report, investigate, and/or address a disability are subject to liability and can be sued in federal court by students and parents for money damages under Section 504. T / F **True**