

Robert F Kennedy Charter School



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Robert F. Kennedy Charter School follows all Federal and State Guidelines for FAPE.

Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) is an educational right of all students in the United States that is guaranteed by the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, FAPE is defined as, "...the provision of regular or special education and related aids and services that are designed to meet individual needs of handicapped persons as adequately as the needs of nonhandicapped persons are met and are based on adherence to procedures that satisfy the requirements of" the section. Under the IDEA, FAPE is defined as an educational program that is individualized to a specific child, that meets that child's unique needs, provides access to the general curriculum, meets the grade-level standards established by the state, and from which the child receives educational benefit.¹²¹ The United States Department of Education issues regulations that define¹²¹ and govern¹²¹ the provision of FAPE.

To provide FAPE to a disabled child, schools must provide students with an education, including specialized instruction and related services, that prepares the child for further education, employment, and independent living.