It is the policy of the Cerritos Community College District to maintain Disabled Student Programs and Services to promote the academic success and personal enrichment of students with diverse needs by facilitating equal access to educational opportunities in an integrated college setting; encouraging the interaction and full participation of all students with disabilities, and recognizing the importance of self-advocacy and independence in such students’ pursuit of their academic careers.

Students with disabilities shall be reasonably accommodated pursuant to federal and state requirements in all applicable programs in the District.

The Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS) program shall be the primary provider for support programs and services that facilitate equal educational opportunities for students with disabilities who can profit from instruction as required by federal and state laws.

DSPS services shall be available to students with verified disabilities. The services to be provided include, but are not limited to, reasonable accommodations, academic adjustments, electronic information and technology accessibility, accessible facilities, equipment, instructional programs, and counseling.

No student with disabilities is required to participate in the Disabled Students Programs and Services program.

The District shall respond in a timely manner to accommodation requests involving academic adjustments. The President/Superintendent shall establish a procedure to implement this policy which, at a minimum, provides for an individualized review of each such request, and permits interim decisions on such requests pending final resolution by the appropriate administrator or designee.

The President/Superintendent shall ensure that the DSPS program conforms to all requirements established by the relevant law and regulations.

Also see AP 5140 titled Disabled Student Programs and Services

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