

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

MEMORANDUM

JUNE 23, 2011

TO: CAROL COMEAU, SUPERINTENDENT
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FROM: CINDY ANDERSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SPECIAL EDUCATION

SUBJECT: IDEA/504 COMPLIANCE WITH FIELD TRIPS AND ACTIVITIES

Under both the IDEA and Section 504, participation in almost all educational and extracurricular activities must be accessible to all students. This requirement for accessibility is based on equal opportunity for all students and to ensure that students with disabilities are able to participate in the programs and activities offered to their non-disabled peers. Limitations or exclusion from participation in these programs and activities due to a student's disability may be illegal discrimination under the law. Activities covered by these laws include such things as athletics, transportation, recreational activities, field trips, health services, and special interest groups or clubs sponsored or offered by the school.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please contact the appropriate executive director for clarification or guidance.