

SERVICE ANIMALS

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and its implementing regulations, it is the policy of the South Lyon Community School District to permit individuals with disabilities to be accompanied by service animals in all areas of the District's facilities where members of the public; participants in services, programs, or activities; or invitees, as relevant, are permitted.

For purpose of this policy and the implementing administrative guideline, "service animal" means any dog that has been individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. Other species of animal, whether wild or domestic, trained or untrained, are not service animals for the purposes of this definition. In accordance with federal law, the District may permit an individual with a disability to be accompanied by a miniature horse under certain circumstances.

The Superintendent, or his/her designee, shall develop administrative guidelines to implement this policy.

Nothing in this policy or administrative guidelines shall be construed to diminish any rights an individual with a disability may have to be accompanied by an assistance animal in District facilities or at District events under other state or federal laws.

42 USC § 12101, *et seq.*, Americans with Disabilities Act
28 CFR 35.1 04, 28 CFR 35.136, ADA Regulations

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