

DISABLED STUDENTS' RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Orange Coast College will take all necessary steps to ensure that no student with a verified disability is denied the benefits of, excluded from participation in, or otherwise subjected to discrimination in an education program because of the absence of auxiliary aids or academic accommodations.
2. Participation by students with disabilities in Orange Coast College's Disabled Students Programs and Services (DSPS) shall be entirely voluntary.
3. A student with a verified disability may be entitled to auxiliary aids or academic accommodations. The decision for authorization of such accommodations is the responsibility of the DSPS counselor after a review of documentation verifying the disability and any resulting educational barriers.
4. Each student has the right to privacy of his/her confidential information. No information held by the Orange Coast College DSPS will be released without written permission of the student.

Responsibilities

Students may have services terminated from the DSPS for any of the following reasons:

1. Failure to provide information from an appropriate professional to verify the students' disability.
2. Failure of the student to complete and sign the Student Education Plan.
3. Failure to complete the required testing to determine eligibility in the learning disabilities program.
4. Students using interpreter services must notify Orange Coast College of any absences at least 24 hours in advance. Upon the first unreported absence, the interpreter may be canceled for the next class. The student must discuss the unreported absence with the DSPS counselor before interpreter services are resumed. If the student accumulates three unreported absences, interpreter services may be terminated for the semester.
5. Students utilizing reader or tutoring services must notify the service provider in advance of any absences. Three unexcused absences may result in termination of services.
6. Students attending Adapted Kinesiology or DSPS tutoring classes may be dropped from these classes if they exceed three absences.
7. Students must conform to the college's code of conduct. Students not conforming to this code will be referred to the Dean of Students for disciplinary action.
8. Students not making measurable progress toward the goals established in the Student Education Plan may have services terminated.
9. Students enrolled in regular classes must meet the academic standards established by the College. Failure to meet these standards may result in suspension from the college.