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IDEA

- IDEA requires "meaningful parent participation."
- IDEA requires parents be invited to the ARD meetings.
- IDEA requires regular re-evaluations.
- IDEA authorizes an IEE. 504 does not.
- IDEA requires affirmative, proactive steps.
- IDEA requires proactive steps to address behavior, such as FBAs and BIPs.
- IDEA requires a transition plan.
- IDEA requires educational progress.

504

- 504 does not require "meaningful parent participation."
- 504 does not require parents to be invited to attend meetings.
- 504 only requires periodic re-evaluations.
- 504 does not authorize an IEE.
- 504 is a non-discrimination protection and is about access and the absence of discrimination.
- 504 plans may include proactive steps to address behavior, such as FBAs and BIPs, but there is no statutory or regulatory requirement.
- 504 does not require a transition plan.