

SERVICE ANIMALS

The District will evaluate the need for reasonable accommodations in order to permit the use of service animals by individuals with disabilities in accordance with state and federal law.

A “service animal” is any animal that is individually trained or is being trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability. The task(s) performed by the service animal must be directly related to the individual’s disability. The animal must be trained to take a specific action when needed to assist the individual with a disability. The provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship does not constitute work or tasks for purposes of this definition.

The District is not responsible for the care or supervision of a service animal. The District is not responsible for providing a staff member to walk the service animal or to provide any other care or assistance to the animal. Students with service animals are expected to care and supervise their animal. In the case of a young child or a student with disabilities who is unable to care for or supervise his service animal, the parent is responsible for providing care and supervision of the animal.

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