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**POLICY** 

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## SUBJECT: STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

The St. Lawrence-Lewis Board of Cooperative Educational Services recognizes the existence of individual differences in the intellectual, social, emotional and physical development of children attending school in the component districts. In recognizing these differences the Board supports a system of services offered to our component districts for student with disabilities.

## **Program Accessibility**

The Board affirms its compliance with those sections of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 dealing with program accessibility.

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals with disabilities in federally assisted programs or activities solely on the basis of disability. The BOCES shall make its programs and facilities accessible to all its students with disabilities.

The BOCES official responsible for coordination of activities relating to compliance with Section 504 is the Civil Rights Officer. He/she shall provide information, including complaint procedures, to any person who feels his or her rights under Section 504 have been violated by the BOCES or its officials.

All students with disabilities shall be provided with full access and opportunity to participate in BOCES programs and extracurricular activities which are available to all other students enrolled in the St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES. Parents/guardians of students with disabilities shall receive timely notice of such programs and activities.

20 United States Code (U.S.C.) Sections 1400-1485, Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)
Education Law Sections 4401-4407
8 New York Code of Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) Sections 100.5, 100.9, 200.2(b)(1) and (b)(3), 200.2(c)(2)(v), and 200.6(a)(1) and (a)(3)

NOTE: Refer also to Policy #1440 -- Non-Discrimination.

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