



Spectrum Academy Board of Directors		
Policy: Service Animals		
Approved:	Revised:	Monitoring: Bi-annually

Initial		All statements must be initialed by the parent/guardian.
	1	All requests for a student with disabilities to be accompanied by a service animal must be addressed in writing to the principal. It must include documentation of annual vaccinations. It must be delivered at least ten business days prior to the student bringing the animal to school.
	2	The owners of the service dog must provide annual proof of county license in the county that the school is located. NSL Spectrum Academy is located in Davis County 801-444-2200.
	3	All service animals must be spayed or neutered.
	4	Service animals must be treated for fleas and ticks and be kept free of fleas and ticks.
	5	Service animals must be kept clean to prevent shedding and dander.
	6	The owner of the service animal is liable for any harm or injury caused by the animal to other students, school staff, visitors, and or/property. The owner must provide current liability insurance.
	7	Only a dog is allowed to be a service animal.
	8	The service animal must be required for the student with a disability.
	9	The animal must be “individually trained” to do work or tasks for the student with a disability. A “therapy animal” is not a “service animal” for the purpose of these policies.
	10	A request made to permit a service animal other than a dog would be considered on an individual basis: If the facility can accommodate the type, size, and weight of the animal; whether the handler can sufficiently control the animal; whether the animal is housebroken; if the animal’s presence in a specific facility would compromise the legitimate safety of the school operations.
	11	A school administrator may ask a student with a disability or his/her parents to remove a service animal from a school building, classroom, or from a school function if anyone of circumstances occurs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The animal is out of control and the animal’s handler does not take effective action to control the animal. ● The animal is not house broken. ● The animal’s presence would “fundamentally alter” the nature of the service, program, or activity.



12	A service animal must have a harness, leash, or other tether unless the student, because of their disability, is unable to use the tether, harness, or leash or it interferes with the service animal's safe, effective performance of the task or work they are trained to do. However, the animal must be in the handler's control. The school system or school staff is not responsible for the care or supervision of the service animal. This includes walking the animal or responding to the animal's need to relieve itself.
13	If a young student or a student with a disability is unable to care for, supervise, or efficiently control the service animal, the parent is responsible for providing the care, supervision, and control of the animal or paying for such a service to be provided within the scope of the school programming. The school administrator will make such a decision on a case-by-case basis.
14	Spectrum Academy administration reserves the right to refuse any request for a service animal.

I understand and agree to Spectrum Academy's Service Animal policy and all of its provisions.

Parent/Legal Guardian (print)

Parent/Legal Guardian (sign)

Principal/Administrator (print)

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Date



Spectrum Academy Service Animal Access Request

Date_____

Student/Employee Name:_____

Parent contact information:_____

School Location:_____

Is the service animal required because of a disability? Yes No

What work or task(s) has the service animal been trained to perform:

Does the service animal have current veterinary health certificate? Yes No
(Attach documentation of vaccinations)

Name of service animal:_____

Type of animal:_____

Follow up (for Principal/Administration)

- Is the animal licensed?
- Is the animal spayed or neutered?
- Does the animal meet the minimum standards?
- Is the animal a trained "service animal?"
- Is the animal trained to perform tasks?
- Is the animal under the control of a handler (student or otherwise)?
- Is the responsibility for the animal's care assigned?

Approved by:_____

Not Approved due to:_____
