

### **4.3 Rehabilitation Act of 1973**

Southeast Arkansas College does not discriminate in admission to, or access to, or treatment of, or employment in, its programs or activities on the basis of handicapped status. This commitment is made by the College and is in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Section 504 guidelines include the following:

1. The College must not exclude, on the basis of handicap, any qualified handicapped student from participation in any academic, research, occupational training, health insurance, counseling, financial aid, physical education, athletics, recreation, transportation, other extracurricular, or other postsecondary education program.
2. The College must make modifications to academic requirements as are necessary to ensure that such requirements do not discriminate or have the effect of discriminating, on the basis of handicap, against a qualified handicapped student.
3. The College must not impose upon handicapped student's rules, such as the prohibition of tape recorders in classrooms or dog guides in campus buildings that have the effect of limiting the participation of handicapped students in a program.
4. The College must provide methods of evaluating the achievement of students who have a handicap that impairs sensory, manual, or speaking skills as will best ensure that the results of the evaluation represents the student's achievement in the course, rather than reflecting the student's impaired sensory, manual, or speaking skills (except where such skills are the factors that the test purports to measure).
5. The College must take necessary steps to ensure that no handicapped student is denied access to a program because of the absence of educational auxiliary aids.
6. In providing financial assistance to qualified handicapped persons, the College may not, on the basis of handicap, provide less assistance than is provided to non-handicapped persons.
7. In providing personal, academic, or vocational counseling, guidance, or placement services to students, the College must provide these without discrimination on the basis of handicap.