

McKendree University Academic Accommodations

Comparison of Services

The services at McKendree University may look different from what you were accustomed to in high school. The table below explains the differences.

High School	College
School districts are responsible for identifying and evaluating disabilities at no cost to the student or family.	Students must self-identify and provide appropriate current documentation based on the college's requirements. The college is not responsible for the payment of evaluations.
Parents are actively involved in the planning and decision-making process.	Student is considered an adult and must advocate for themselves.
High school personnel have the responsibility to try to modify inappropriate behavior caused by the disability into appropriate behavior.	Student is responsible for his/her own behavior; inappropriate behavior is not tolerated.
Curriculum is often modified or altered.	Colleges provide equal access, not modifications.
Special educators inform teachers about a student's accommodation needs.	Student must talk to their teachers about accommodation needs.
School is responsible for arranging accommodations	While colleges must provide accommodations as arranged, the student is responsible for arranging and ensuring accommodations are provided
Teachers may approach the student if they feel the student is in need of help.	Professors must wait for the student to initiate contact if help is needed.

Content is supported differently (i.e., material for homework may be discussed in class or re-taught.	Many classes require large amounts of reading and writing which may or may not be reviewed in class.
Tutoring and academic support may be a part of a student’s IEP or 504 plan.	Tutoring and academic support are not a part of the office of disability services. Students use the tutoring/academic support offered to all students.
Study time outside of class may be minimal.	An average of 2-3 hours per credit hour is usually required in college-level classes (i.e., a 3-credit class requires approximately 8 additional hours of preparation per week).
Student is scheduled to meet with resource personnel on a routine basis.	Student must initiate requests.

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