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The John McGivney Children's Centre School Authority is committed to the learning of all students and provides specialized programming to support student success. It is the policy of the John McGivney Children's Centre School Authority, in accordance with its obligations pursuant to the Ontario *Human Rights Code*, to provide individualized accommodation to students with disabilities to enable them to have meaningful access to education services.

In circumstances where a parent/guardian requests to have the student's Guide Dog, Service Dog or Service Animal accompany the student while attending school or a school-related event, each such request shall be reviewed individually by the JMCCSA considering the student's dignity, integration, independence and disability-related learning needs and the accommodations available to enable meaningful access to education.

Pursuant to the *Education Act* and regulations, a school building is not a place to which the public is customarily admitted.


The process of accommodation shall also consider the competing human rights of other students and of staff; the impact of the Guide Dog, Service Dog or Service Animal on the learning environment; and the health and safety of all individuals who are or might be in the school, on school grounds or at a school-related event.

A copy of this policy shall be available on the JMCCSA's website. The School Authority shall retain data regarding the requests for Guide Dogs, Service Dogs and Service Animals as outlined in its Procedure.

**Applicable Documents:**

Document/ Form Nbr.	Title
<a href="#">RSO 1990, c H.19</a>	Human Rights Code, RSO 1990, c H.19
<a href="#">RSO 1990, c E.2</a>	Education Act, RSO 1990, c E.2, s. 170(1), s.265(1); O. Reg. 298, s.11
<a href="#">Policy/Program Memorandum No. 163</a>	PPM 163 School Board Policies on Service Animals
<a href="#">A.O.D.A., 2005, SO</a>	Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005, SO 2005, c.11

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<a href="#">2005, c.11</a>	
<a href="#">RSO 1990, c B.7</a>	Blind Persons' Rights Act, RSO 1990, c B.7,
<a href="#">RSO 1990, c D.16</a>	Dog Owners' Liability Act, RSO 1990, c D.16
<a href="#">RSO 1990, c H.7</a>	Health Protection and Promotion Act, RSO 1990, c H.7
<a href="#">Food Safety and Quality Act, 2001, SO 2001, c.20</a>	Food Safety and Quality Act 2001, SO 2001, c.20
<a href="#">PR 4018</a>	Student Use of Guide Dogs and Service Animals Procedure

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